

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1142

By: Representative Ormond

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE LAW TO PREVENT MINORS FROM
PURCHASING INTOXICATING LIQUOR OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE LAW TO PREVENT
MINORS FROM PURCHASING ALCOHOLIC
BEVERAGES OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. (a) For purposes of this act:

(1) "Intoxicating liquor" includes any beverage containing more than one-half of one percent (0.5%) of alcohol by weight; and

(2) "Tobacco products" means all products containing tobacco for consumption and includes, but is not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, cigarillos, chewing tobacco, smokeless tobacco, snuff, smoking tobacco, including pipe tobacco, and smoking tobacco substitutes.

(b) When any person under the legal age for purchasing intoxicating liquor or tobacco products displays his or her driver's license when attempting to purchase intoxicating liquor or tobacco products, the person to whom the driver's license was displayed may seize the driver's license and immediately notify local law enforcement officers who shall take custody of the driver's license and issue a citation to the underaged person for attempting to purchase intoxicating liquor or tobacco products.

(c) The law enforcement officer shall forward the driver's license with the citation to the appropriate court and immediately notify the Office

1 of Driver Services of the Department of Finance and Administration that the
2 driver's license has been seized. The Office of Driver Services shall not
3 issue a replacement license for that driver's license, until directed to by
4 the court hearing the matter.

5 (d) If the underage person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to
6 attempting to purchase intoxicating liquor or tobacco products, or is found
7 guilty of attempting to purchase intoxicating liquor or tobacco products, he
8 or she shall be fined five hundred dollars (\$500). If the fine is not paid
9 within thirty (30) calendar days after the date of its levy, the court shall
10 notify the Office of Driver Services and the office shall suspend the
11 driver's license for a period not to exceed one (1) year.

12 /s/ Ormond
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