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2020 AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS LIQUOR LAWS

The 2020 Legislature passed the following bill amending the Club and Drinking Establishment Act.

House Bill 2016 – effective June 9, 2020 through January 26, 2021.

Section 26 of the bill effectively codifies Governor Laura Kelly's executive order allowing certain on-premise licensees to sell cocktails and mixed drinks to-go, in accordance with all other to-go sales requirements. Licensed class A clubs, class B clubs and drinking establishments may allow patrons to remove alcoholic liquor that is not in its original container provided:

- (A) It must be legal for the licensee to sell the alcoholic liquor;
- (B) each container of alcoholic liquor must have been purchased by a patron on the licensed premises;
- (C) the licensee or the licensee's employee must provide the patron with a dated receipt for the alcoholic liquor; and
- (D) before the container of alcoholic liquor is removed from the licensed premises, the licensee or the licensee's employee must place the container in a transparent bag that is sealed in a manner that makes it visibly apparent if the bag is subsequently tampered with or opened.

The full text of this bill may be viewed at <http://www.kslegislature.org/li/>.

It is important to note that House Bill 2016 does not change existing law regarding open bottles of beer or wine. These bottles must still be opened, sealed, and placed in a transparent bag with the receipt.

ABC Director policy memos regarding COVID-19 relief

The following policies will expire January 26, 2021:

- March 17, 2020 policy memo regarding distributor deliveries and returns
- March 18, 2020 policy memo regarding sales on the licensed premises

These policies may be viewed at <https://www.ksrevenue.org/abcindex.html>

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