

**Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure
2025-2026 (194th) Bill Summary**

BILL NUMBER: H344

TITLE: An Act relative to the responsible sale of alcoholic beverages

SPONSOR(S): Chan, Tackey

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REPORTING DEADLINE: September 5, 2025

CURRENT LAW

Section 15 of Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws regulates off premises alcohol consumption and sales in the Commonwealth.

SUMMARY

This legislation seeks to mandate that employees of section 15 licensees take part in a training program every 3 years instructing on the rules that govern the off premises sale of alcohol in Massachusetts, preventing the sale of alcohol to individuals under the age of 21 or to any second party intending to provide alcohol to individuals under 21, and not selling alcohol to intoxicated individuals.