

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

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**BILL NUMBER:** H4197

**TITLE:** An Act relative to notification of alcohol by volume in beers to be consumed on the premises

**SPONSOR(S):** Garry, Colleen

**HEARING DATE:** July 7, 2025

**REPORTING DEADLINE:** September 5, 2025

**SIMILAR MATTER(S):** H4196

**PRIOR HISTORY**

(2019-2020): H239 - Accompanied a study order, see H5043.  
(2021-2022): H374 - Accompanied a study order, see H4880.  
(2023-2024): H305 – Accompanied a study order, see H4680.

**CURRENT LAW**

Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws oversees the sale, distribution, and use of alcohol in the Commonwealth.

**SUMMARY**

This legislation creates a new section in the General Laws which would require alcohol drunk on the premise to list the volume of each beer selection on the licensee’s menu.