

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5264

As of January 19, 1995

Title: An act relating to acceptable identification for liquor purchases.

Brief Description: Clarifying armed forces identification used for liquor purchases.

Sponsors: Senators Gaspard and Rasmussen.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Labor, Commerce & Trade:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE & TRADE

Staff: Max Williams (786-7439)

Background: Current law requires that for the purchase of alcohol, purchasers must provide one of five acceptable types of officially issued identification as proof of age:

- 1) Liquor control authority card of identification of Canada.
- 2) Driver license, instruction permit or ID card of any state.
- 3) U.S. active duty military identification.
- 4) Passport.
- 5) Merchant Marine ID card issued by U.S. Coast Guard.

No other forms of identification as proof of age are legally allowable for the purchase of alcohol. Nonactive military personnel including reservists, retired personnel and military dependents are prohibited from using their government-issued identification for the purchase of alcohol.

Summary of Bill: United States armed forces identification cards issued to active duty personnel, reservists, retired personnel and military dependents are allowed as proof of age for the purchase of alcohol.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.