

BOARD BILL NUMBER 128

PRIMARY SPONSOR: Alderman John Collins-Muhammad, 21st Ward

DATE OF INTRODUCTION: October 11, 2019

BOARD BILL SUMMARY:

The proposed Bill will prohibit the issuance of any package or drink liquor licenses for any currently non-licensed premises located within the boundaries of the Twenty-First Ward Liquor Control District, established by the bill, for a period of five-years from the effective date. Exceptions to the prohibition will allow, during the moratorium period, for the limited transfer of existing licenses, under certain circumstances, and renewal of existing licenses.

The proposed bill's impact on the community is unknown at this time.

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1 An ordinance prohibiting the issuance of any package or drink liquor licenses for any
2 currently non-licensed premises within the boundaries of the Twenty-First Ward Liquor
3 Control District, as established herein, for a period of five (5) years from the effective date
4 hereof; containing exceptions and allowing, during the moratorium period, for the limited
5 transfer of existing licenses, under certain circumstances, and renewal of existing licenses.

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7 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

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9 **SECTION ONE. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS.** The existence of alcoholic beverage
10 establishments appears to contribute directly to numerous peace, health, safety and general
11 welfare problems including loitering, littering, drug trafficking, prostitution, public
12 drunkenness, defacement and damaging of structures, pedestrian obstructions, as well as
13 traffic circulation, parking and noise problems on public streets and neighborhood lots. The
14 existence of such problems creates serious impacts on the health, safety and welfare of
15 residents of single- and multiple-family within the district, including fear for the safety of
16 children, elderly residents and of visitors to the district. The problems also contribute to the
17 deterioration of the neighborhood and concomitant devaluation of property and destruction of
18 community values and quality of life. The number of establishments selling alcoholic
19 beverages and the associated problems discourage more desirable and needed commercial
20 uses in the area. In order to preserve the residential character and the neighborhood-serving

1 commercial uses of the area, there shall be a moratorium on the issuance of new liquor
2 licenses with the area Beginning at the point of intersection of Natural Bridge Ave and
3 Fair Ave, and proceeding westerly along Natural Bridge Ave to Harris Ave, and
4 proceeding southerly along Harris Ave to east/west alleyway between Natural Bridge
5 Ave and Lexington Ave, and proceeding westerly along such alleyways to N Newstead
6 Ave, and proceeding southerly along N Newstead Ave to Lexington Ave, and
7 proceeding westerly along Lexington Ave to north/south alleyway between Natural
8 Bridge Ave and Lexington Ave, and proceeding northerly along such alleyway to
9 east/west alleyway, and proceeding westerly along such alleyway to Cora Ave, and
10 proceeding southerly along Cora Ave to Palm St, and proceeding westerly along Palm
11 St to Marcus Ave, and proceeding southerly along Marcus Ave to Palm St, and
12 proceeding westerly along Palm St to Shreve Ave, and proceeding northerly along
13 Shreve Ave to Sacramento Ave, and proceeding westerly along Sacramento Ave to
14 north/south alleyway, and proceeding northerly along such alleyways to Bessie Ave,
15 and proceeding easterly along Bessie Ave to Shreve Ave, and proceeding northerly
16 along Shreve Ave to Anderson Ave, and proceeding westerly along Anderson Ave to
17 north/south alleyway, and proceeding northerly along such alleyways to Carter Ave,
18 and proceeding easterly along Carter Ave to Shreve Ave, and proceeding northerly
19 along Shreve Ave to I- 70, and proceeding easterly along I- 70 to Adelaide Ave, and
20 proceeding westerly along Adelaide Ave to Von Phul St, and proceeding easterly along
21 Von Phul St to E College Ave, and proceeding westerly along E College Ave to Conde
22 St, and proceeding southerly along Conde St to Linton Ave, and proceeding easterly

1 along Linton Ave to Blair St, and proceeding southerly along Blair St to De Soto Ave,
2 and proceeding westerly along De Soto Ave to W Florissant, and proceeding westerly
3 along W Florissant to Warne Ave, and proceeding westerly along Warne Ave to W
4 Florissant, and proceeding westerly along W Florissant to Mary Ave, and proceeding
5 westerly along Mary Ave to Carter Ave, and proceeding easterly along Carter Ave to
6 Warne Ave, and proceeding westerly along Warne Ave to Kossuth Ave, and proceeding
7 westerly along Kossuth Ave to Fair Ave, and proceeding southerly along Fair Ave to
8 the point of beginning. Such area shall be known as the Twenty-First Ward Liquor Control
9 Area.

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11 **SECTION TWO.** The Excise Commissioner shall not, for a period of five (5) years,
12 beginning as of the effective date of this Ordinance, approve the issuance of a package or
13 drink liquor license for any premises which is located within the boundaries of the Twenty-
14 First Ward Liquor Control District established in Section One of this Ordinance.

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16 **SECTION THREE.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Section Two of this
17 Ordinance, the Excise Commissioner shall have authority to:

18 (1) Approve transfer of an existing license to another premises within the petition
19 circle of the currently licensed premises, pursuant to the provisions of subsection (B) of
20 section 14.06.330 of Ordinance 68536; and

1 (2) Approve the renewal of an existing license under the provisions of Section
2 14.08.090 of Ordinance 68536

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4 **SECTION FOUR. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.** This being an ordinance for the
5 preservation of public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency
6 measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of
7 St. Louis and therefore this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage
8 and approval by the Mayor.