

1 AN ACT in relation to alcohol.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Liquor Control Act of 1934 is amended by  
5 adding Section 6-32 as follows:

6 (235 ILCS 5/6-32 new)

7 Sec. 6-32. Safety provisions.

8 (a) A retailers on premise consumption licensee may not  
9 permit the use of any pyrotechnic device within its licensed  
10 premises without the prior authorization of the Illinois  
11 State Fire Marshal. A retailers on premise consumption  
12 licensee, or any agent or employee of that licensee, may not  
13 use mace, pepper spray, or any other toxic air-released  
14 compound within its licensed premises. Violation of this  
15 subsection (a) by any licensee or any employee or agent of a  
16 licensee is a Class 4 felony.

17 (b) No person may impede any person who is attempting to  
18 exit the premises of a retailers on premise consumption  
19 licensee due to an emergency that constitutes a threat to the  
20 health or safety of persons within the licensed premises.  
21 For the purpose of this Section, the term "impede a person  
22 who is attempting to exit" includes physically restraining  
23 the person or blocking or locking an exit while the licensed  
24 premises is open to the public. Violation of this subsection  
25 (b) is a Class 4 felony.

26 (c) A retailers on premise consumption licensee with an  
27 authorized capacity (i) of at least 250 persons, (ii) set by  
28 the State Fire Marshal, or (iii) set by local ordinance,  
29 whichever is lowest, must place a panic bar on each exit of  
30 its licensed premises. A retailers on premise consumption  
31 licensee with an authorized capacity of at least 500 persons

1 that conducts live entertainment within its licensed premises  
2 must, before the commencement of the live entertainment, make  
3 an announcement to the patrons of the licensed premises that  
4 generally informs those patrons of the locations of exits and  
5 fire escapes at the licensed premises.

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
7 becoming law.