

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR CONTROL, JANUARY 28, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled "An
 2 act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and
 3 brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and
 4 changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and
 5 restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession,
 6 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding
 7 in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic
 8 liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the
 9 persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and
 10 duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing
 11 for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores,
 12 for the payment of certain license fees to the respective
 13 municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain
 14 nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure
 15 without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures;
 16 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," in
 17 preliminary provisions, further defining "alcoholic cider."

18 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 19 hereby enacts as follows:

20 Section 1. The definition of "alcoholic cider" in section
 21 102 of the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the
 22 Liquor Code, is amended to read:

23 Section 102. Definitions.--The following words or phrases,
 24 unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, shall have the

1 meanings ascribed to them in this section:

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3 "Alcoholic cider" shall mean a beverage which may contain
4 carbonation in an amount not to exceed six and four tenths grams
5 per liter, produced through alcoholic fermentation [of any fruit
6 or fruit juice], which is primarily derived from apples, apple
7 juice concentrate and water or pears, pear juice concentrate and
8 water, consisting of at least one-half of one per centum, but
9 not greater than eight and one-half per centum, alcohol by
10 volume and sold or offered for sale as alcoholic cider and not
11 as a wine, a wine product or as a substitute for wine, in
12 bottles, cases, kegs, cans or other suitable containers of the
13 type used for the sale of malt or brewed beverages in this
14 Commonwealth.

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16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.