

# ALBA

ARIZONA LICENSED BEVERAGE ASSOCIATION

Dear ALBA Members,

The following is an update of HB2660 which is out of the Senate and headed to the House for concurrence with the Senate amendments.

Below is a summary of ALBA's support of this bill.

ALBA is in support of all the provisions in HB2660 but is specifically supportive of section 5 of the bill, amending section ARS 4-210. This section gives clear authority for a licensee to remove, or to intervene or to restrain an individual in order to protect other persons or to prevent the person from damaging or disrupting the licensed property. This section is important in that it balances a licensee's duty to protect everyone, with the occasional need to restrain an individual and remove them if necessary. This language was developed with the Arizona Trial Lawyers Association.

Secondly, HB 2660 gives licensees at shopping centers, at office/retail centers, and individual licensees as well, to use pre-approved extended premises, for special occasions.

ALBA also specifically supports one other provision of the bill. Section 8 of the bill authorizes the Governor to issue an Executive Order extending closing time to 3 a.m. on very limited occasions involving a national championship event held in Arizona for either a collegiate or a professional sport. Many cities already on a regular basis, or on Saturday evenings extend liquor hours to 3 a.m.

ALBA supports the idea that public safety community must be supportive of this extension before the Executive Order is made. The bill contains the following language:

**"IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EXECUTIVE ORDER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL CONSULT WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNITY IN ARIZONA."**

If, in connection with any future event, the public safety community is supportive, this would give authority to a Governor to extend the time for one evening in connection with the national sporting event.

**"NO ONE OF US IS AS POWERFUL AS ALL OF US TOGETHER"**

***Thank you for your continued support.***

Sincerely,

Dave Delos