

AMENDMENTS TO ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1605
AS AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 16, 2026

Amendment 1

On page 3, strike out lines 5 to 9, inclusive, and insert:

- (b) Notwithstanding Section 25617, a violation of this section is not a crime.
- (c) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2028.

Amendment 2

On page 3, in lines 12 and 13, strike out “Every person who sells, furnishes, gives away, or causes to be sold, furnished, or given” and insert:

No person shall sell, furnish, give away, or cause to be sold, furnished, or given

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On page 3, in line 15, strike out “Code is”, strike out line 16 and insert:

Code.

- (b) Notwithstanding Section 25617, a violation of this section is not a crime.

Amendment 4

On page 3, in line 17, strike out “(b)” and insert:

- (c)

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On page 3, between lines 31 and 32, insert:

(b) Notwithstanding Section 25617 and except as provided in Section 25658, a violation of this section is not a crime.

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On page 3, in line 32, strike out “(b)” and insert:

- (c)



Amendment 7

On page 4, between lines 12 and 13, insert:

(c) Notwithstanding Section 25617 and except as provided in Section 25658, a violation of this section is not a crime.

Amendment 8

On page 4, in line 13, strike out “(c)” and insert:

(d)

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On page 4, strike out lines 24 to 40, inclusive, and insert:

23600.5. (a) A court may prohibit a person convicted of a violation of Section 23152 punishable pursuant to Section 23550 or 23550.5, a violation of Section 23153 punishable pursuant to Section 23550.5 or 23566, or a violation of subdivision (a) of Section 191.5 of the Penal Code, who is granted probation from purchasing alcohol for a period not exceeding the entire probationary period, as a term and condition of probation.

Amendment 10

On page 5, strike out lines 12 to 25, inclusive, and insert:

SEC. 7. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1605

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 16, 2026

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 9, 2026

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1605

Introduced by Assembly Member Ransom

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**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alanis, Ávila Farías, Bennett, Ellis,
Jackson, Petrie-Norris, Michelle Rodriguez, and Stefani)**

(Coauthors: Senators McNerney and Rubio)

January 20, 2026



An act to amend, repeal, and add Section 25659 of, and to add Sections 25655 and 25657.5 to, the Business and Professions Code, and to add Sections 13353.9 and 23600.5 to the Vehicle Code, relating to crimes.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1605, as amended, Ransom. Driving under the influence: alcohol sales.

Existing law, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, provides for the issuance, suspension, revocation, and conditions upon licensure for the manufacture, distribution, and sale of alcoholic beverages. Existing law makes every person who sells, furnishes, gives, or causes to be sold, furnished or given away any alcoholic beverage to any person under 21 years of age guilty of a misdemeanor.

Existing law also makes it unlawful for a person who is under the influence of any alcoholic beverage or drug, or the combined influence of both, to drive a vehicle and requires a court, when granting probation

following conviction of a driving under the influence offense, to impose certain terms and conditions, including that the individual not drive a vehicle with any measurable amount of alcohol in their blood, among others.

~~This bill would require everyone who sells or furnishes alcoholic beverages to first review a form of written identification issued by this state or another state and would make a violation of this requirement a misdemeanor. The bill would require a court, subject to an exception, state. The bill would authorize a court when granting probation for certain driving under the influence offenses to prohibit the person from purchasing alcohol and would require the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue an identification card or driver’s license with an appropriate designation on the face upon the receipt of an abstract of the record of a court. The bill would authorize the court to prohibit the purchase of alcohol when the underlying conviction involved a certain percentage of alcohol, the offense occurred within 3 years of a separate driving under the influence offense, or the offense involved property damage or great bodily injury, as specified. the offense occurred within 10 years of 2 or more driving under the influence offenses that resulted in conviction or certain other prior convictions, or if the conviction was for vehicular manslaughter, as specified. The bill would require a seller of alcoholic beverages to refuse to sell or serve someone subject to such an order and would make the sale of an alcoholic beverage to that individual a misdemeanor. order.~~

~~Because the bill would create a new crime, and to the extent it~~

~~To the extent this bill would require a higher level of service from court staff who are county employees, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.~~

~~The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.~~

~~This bill would provide that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.~~

~~With regard to any other mandates, this bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs so mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.~~

~~The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state.~~

Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

Page 2 1 SECTION 1. Section 25655 is added to the Business and
 2 Professions Code, to read:

Page 3 1 25655. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, every person who
 2 sells, furnishes, gives away, or causes to be sold, furnished, or
 3 given away any alcoholic beverage shall request and review a form
 4 of written identification issued by this state or another state.
 5 ~~(b) A violation of this section is a misdemeanor punishable by~~
 6 ~~a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), no part of which shall be~~
 7 ~~suspended, and the person shall be required to perform not less~~
 8 ~~than 24 hours of community service during hours when the person~~
 9 ~~is not employed and is not attending school.~~
 + (b) Notwithstanding Section 25617, a violation of this section
 + is not a crime.
 + (c) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2028.

10 SEC. 2. Section 25657.5 is added to the Business and
 11 Professions Code, to read:

12 25657.5. (a) ~~Every person who sells, furnishes, gives away,~~
 13 ~~or causes to be sold, furnished, or given~~ No person shall sell,
 + furnish, give away, or cause to be sold, furnished, or given away
 14 any alcoholic beverage to a person who provides an identification
 15 card or driver’s license issued pursuant to Section 13353.9 of the
 16 Vehicle Code is guilty of a misdemeanor. Code.
 + (b) Notwithstanding Section 25617, a violation of this section
 + is not a crime.

17 ~~(b)~~
 + (c) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2028.

18 SEC. 3. Section 25659 of the Business and Professions Code
 19 is amended to read:

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20 25659. (a) For the purpose of preventing the violation of
21 Section 25658, a licensee, or their agent or employee, shall refuse
22 to sell or serve alcoholic beverages to a person who is unable to
23 produce adequate written evidence that the person is over 21 years
24 of age. A licensee, or their agent or employee, may seize any
25 identification presented by a person that shows the person to be
26 under 21 years of age or that is false, so long as a receipt is given
27 to the person from whom the identification is seized and the seized
28 identification is given within 24 hours of seizure to the local law
29 enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over the licensed
30 premises. A licensee's, or their agent's or employees', decision to
31 not seize a license shall not create any civil or criminal liability.

+ (b) *Notwithstanding Section 25617 and except as provided in*
+ *Section 25658, a violation of this section is not a crime.*

32 (b)

+ (c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2028,
33 and as of that date is repealed.

34 SEC. 4. Section 25659 is added to the Business and Professions
35 Code, to read:

36 25659. (a) For the purpose of preventing the violation of
37 Section 25658, a licensee, or their agent or employee, shall refuse
38 to sell or serve alcoholic beverages to a person who is unable to
39 produce adequate written evidence that the person is over 21 years
40 of age. A licensee, or their agent or employee, may seize any

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1 identification presented by a person that shows the person to be
2 under 21 years of age or that is false, so long as a receipt is given
3 to the person from whom the identification is seized and the seized
4 identification is given within 24 hours of seizure to the local law
5 enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over the licensed
6 premises. A licensee's, or their agent's or employees', decision to
7 not seize a license shall not create any civil or criminal liability.

8 (b) For the purpose of preventing a violation of Section 25657.5,
9 a licensee of their agent or employee shall refuse to sell or serve
10 alcoholic beverages to a person who provides an identification
11 card or driver's license issued pursuant to Section 13353.9 of the
12 Vehicle Code.

+ (c) *Notwithstanding Section 25617 and except as provided in*
+ *Section 25658, a violation of this section is not a crime.*

13 (e)

+ (d) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2028.

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Page 4 14 SEC. 5. Section 13353.9 is added to the Vehicle Code, to read:
15 13353.9. (a) The department shall issue an identification card
16 or a driver’s license with the words “NO ALCOHOL SALES” or
17 another appropriate designation on the face of the identification
18 card or driver’s license for an individual who has submitted an
19 application and for whom the court department has received an
20 abstract of the record of a court showing that the court has issued
21 orders pursuant to Section 23600.5.

22 (b) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2028.

23 SEC. 6. Section 23600.5 is added to the Vehicle Code, to read:

24 ~~23600.5. (a) Except in the interests of justice, a person~~
25 ~~convicted of a violation of Section 23152, 23103, as specified in~~
26 ~~Section 23103.5, 23153, or Section 191.5 of the Penal Code, who~~
27 ~~is granted probation shall be prohibited from purchasing alcohol~~
28 ~~for a period of at least one year to the entire probationary period~~
29 ~~as a term and condition of probation, if the underlying conviction~~
30 ~~involved any of the following:~~

31 ~~(1) The person had .16 percent or more, by weight, of alcohol~~
32 ~~in their blood.~~

33 ~~(2) The offense occurred within three years of a separate~~
34 ~~violation of Section 23152, 23103, as specified in Section 23103.5,~~
35 ~~23153, or Section 191.5 of the Penal Code, that resulted in~~
36 ~~conviction.~~

37 ~~(3) The offense involved damage to the property of another~~
38 ~~greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or great bodily injury~~
39 ~~or death of another. As used in this paragraph, “great bodily injury”~~
40 ~~has the same meaning as in Section 12022.7 of the Penal Code.~~

+ 23600.5. (a) A court may prohibit a person convicted of a
+ violation of Section 23152 punishable pursuant to Section 23550
+ or 23550.5, a violation of Section 23153 punishable pursuant to
+ Section 23550.5 or 23566, or a violation of subdivision (a) of
+ Section 191.5 of the Penal Code, who is granted probation from
+ purchasing alcohol for a period not exceeding the entire
+ probationary period, as a term and condition of probation.

Page 5 1 (b) After issuing an order pursuant to this section, the court shall
2 ensure that the physical copies of the person’s driver’s license or
3 identification card are forfeited or surrendered to law enforcement.

4 (c) The court shall impose a fee to cover the costs of the
5 Department of Motor Vehicles in issuing a replacement
6 identification card or driver’s license. An individual with an income

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Page 5 7 of less than 200 percent of the official federal poverty level is
8 eligible to pay this fee on a payment plan.

9 (d) The Judicial Council shall work with the Department of
10 Motor Vehicles regarding the implementation of this section.

11 (e) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2028.

12 ~~SEC. 7. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to~~
13 ~~Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution for certain~~
14 ~~costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district~~
15 ~~because, in that regard, this act creates a new crime or infraction,~~
16 ~~eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime~~
17 ~~or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the~~
18 ~~Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the~~
19 ~~meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California~~
20 ~~Constitution.~~

21 ~~However, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that~~
22 ~~this act contains other costs mandated by the state, reimbursement~~
23 ~~to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made~~
24 ~~pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division~~
25 ~~4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.~~

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+ *this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to*
+ *local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made*
+ *pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division*
+ *4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.*

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