

THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE 15TH NOVEMBER, 2022
LEGAL SUPPLEMENT — A



ACT No. 18 of 2022

INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSING (AMENDMENT) ACT 2022

I assent.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mohamed Irfaan Ali'.

Mohamed Irfaan Ali,
President.

15th November, 2022

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 2 of the Principal Act.
3. Amendment of section 52 of the Principal Act.
4. Insertion of new section 52A in the Principal Act.
5. Amendment of section 54 of the Principal Act.
6. Amendment of section 56 of the Principal Act.

AN ACT to amend the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act.

A.D. 2022 Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:- ‘

Short title. 1. This Act, which amends the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act, may be
Cap.82:21 cited as the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing (Amendment) Act 2022.

Amendment of 2. Section 2 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after
section 2 of the the definition of “district” the following definition –
Principal Act.

“drunken person” means a person whose physical or mental conduct is substantially impaired as a result of the introduction of intoxicating liquor into the person’s body and who exhibits those plain and easily observed or discovered outward manifestations of behaviour commonly known to be produced by the overconsumption of intoxicating liquor, and “drunkenness” shall be construed accordingly;”.

Amendment of 3. Section 52 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the words
section 52 of the “two thousand dollars” and “six thousand dollars” the words “five hundred
Principal Act. thousand dollars” and “one million dollars”, respectively.

Insertion of new 4. The Principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 52
Section 52A in the following section-
the Principal
Act.

“Holder of
licence to
verify age of
persons.

52A. For the purposes of sections 50, 51 and 52, the
holder of a licence under this Act or any servant of a licence
holder shall, before allowing any person in any bar on any

licensed premises, selling any intoxicating liquor to any person or employing any person to work on any licensed premises, verify the age of that person.”.

Amendment of
section 54 of the
Principal Act.

5. Section 54 of the Principal Act is amended as follows-

(a) by substituting for subsection (1), the following subsection –

“(1) The holder of a licence under this Act shall –

- (a) not permit any drunkenness or any violent, quarrelsome, or riotous conduct to take place on his premises;
- (b) not sell, give or barter intoxicating liquor to a drunken person;
- (c) not allow another person to sell, give or barter intoxicating liquor to a drunken person within the premises;
- (d) not sell, give or barter intoxicating liquor to a drunken person he knows is likely to leave the premises by driving a motor vehicle unless that person has identified another person to be the designated driver of the motor vehicle;
- (e) not sell, give or barter intoxicating liquor to a person identified as a designated driver under paragraph (d);
- (f) where he knows that a drunken person is attempting to drive or is in charge of a motor vehicle on the road or other public place, inform the nearest police station and request their immediate assistance;

(g) conspicuously post signs on the premises that discourage

drinking and driving; and

(h) ensure that announcements are made, on the premises, at

regular intervals that persons should not drink and drive.”;

and

(b) in subsection (2), by substituting for the words “four thousand

dollars” and “ten thousand dollars” the words “one hundred thousand

dollars” and “two hundred thousand dollars”, respectively; and

(c) by inserting immediately after subsection (3), the following

subsections-

“(4) The obligations of a holder of a licence set out

under subsection (1) shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the

holder of any licence granted under the Music and

Cap.
23:03

Dancing Licences Act.

(5) In this section “motor vehicle” has the same

meaning as assigned under the Motor Vehicles and Road

Cap.
51:02

Traffic Act.”.

Amendment of
section 56 of the
Principal Act.

6. Section 56 of the Principal Act is amended as follows-

(a) in subsection (1), by substituting for the word “may” wherever it

appears, the word “shall”; and

(b) in subsection (2), by substituting for the words “six thousand dollars”

the words “one hundred thousand dollars”.

A.D. 2022]

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Passed by the National Assembly on the 7th November, 2022.
S.E. Isaacs,

Clerk of the National Assembly.

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