By Senator Brandes

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Beverage Law; repealing s. 564.05, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual wine containers; amending s. 564.055, F.S.; authorizing the packaging, filling, refilling, or sale of cider in growlers; amending s. 564.09, F.S.; revising provisions authorizing a restaurant to allow a patron to remove certain containers from a restaurant for off-premises consumption; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. <u>Section 564.05</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, <u>is repealed</u>. Section 2. Section 564.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

564.055 Cider containers.—Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, cider, as defined in s. 564.06(4), may be sold by vendors at retail in any size individual container containing no more than 32 ounces of cider; however, this section does not prohibit cider from being packaged and sold in bulk, in kegs or barrels, or in any individual container that contains 1 gallon or more of cider, regardless of container type. Cider may also be packaged, filled, refilled, or sold in 32-ounce, 64-ounce, and 1-gallon growlers in the same manner and under the same restrictions as authorized for malt beverages pursuant to s. 563.06(7).

Section 3. Section 564.09, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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564.09 Restaurants; off-premises consumption of wine or beer .- Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a restaurant licensed to sell wine or beer on the premises may permit a patron to remove one unsealed bottle of wine for consumption off the premises if the patron has purchased a full course meal consisting of a salad or vegetable, entree, a beverage, and bread and consumed a portion of the bottle of wine with such meal on the restaurant premises. A partially consumed bottle of wine that is to be removed from the premises must be securely resealed by the licensee or its employees before removal from the premises. The partially consumed bottle of wine shall be placed in a bag or other container that is secured in such a manner that it is visibly apparent if the container has been subsequently opened or tampered with, and a dated receipt for the bottle of wine and full course meal shall be provided by the licensee and attached to the container. If transported in a motor vehicle, the container with the resealed bottle of wine must be placed in a locked glove compartment, a locked trunk, or the area behind the last upright seat of a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a trunk.

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.