A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the Beverage Law; amending ss. 562.11, 562.111, F.S.; providing an exemption for giving or serving to certain underage students alcoholic beverages that are delivered as part of a required curriculum at certain institutions; providing an exemption for the possession of alcoholic beverages by underage students in specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (4) is added to section 562.11, Florida Statutes, to read:

562.11 Selling, giving, or serving alcoholic beverages to person under age 21; misrepresenting or misstating age or age of another to induce licensee to serve alcoholic beverages to person under 21; penalties.--

(4) This section does not apply to a person who gives, serves, or permits to be served an alcoholic beverage to a student who is over 17 years of age, if the alcoholic beverage is delivered as part of the student's required curriculum at a postsecondary educational institution that is institutionally accredited by an agency recognized by the United States

Department of Education and is either licensed or exempt from licensure by the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities or is a public postsecondary education institution; if the student is enrolled in the college and is required to taste alcoholic beverages that are provided only for instructional purposes during classes conducted under the

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supervision of authorized instructional personnel pursuant to such a curriculum; if alcoholic beverages are never offered for consumption or imbibed by such a student and such alcoholic beverages at all times remain in the possession and control of such instructional personnel, who must be 21 years of age or older; and if the college indemnifies the state and causes each participating student to execute a waiver and consent in favor of, and indemnifies and holds harmless, the state.

Section 2. Present subsection (2) of section 562.111, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (3), and a new subsection (2) is added to that section, to read:

562.111 Possession of alcoholic beverages by persons under age 21 prohibited.--

(2) The prohibition against the possession of alcoholic beverages which is set forth in this section does not apply to the tasting of alcoholic beverages by a student who is over 17 years of age, who is tasting the alcoholic beverages as part of the student's required curriculum at a postsecondary educational institution that is institutionally accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education and is either licensed or exempt from licensure by the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities or is a public postsecondary education institution; if the student is enrolled in the college and is tasting the alcoholic beverages only for instructional purposes during classes that are part of such a curriculum, provided that such a student shall only be allowed to taste, but not consume or imbibe, such alcoholic beverages and that such alcoholic beverages at all times remain in the possession

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           Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.
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