A bill to be entitled
An act relating to alcoholic beverages; creating s. 562.63, F.S.; defining the term “powdered alcohol”; prohibiting the sale, offer for sale, purchase, use, offer for use, or possession of powdered alcohol; providing penalties; providing an exemption for the use of powdered alcohol by specified entities for research purposes; providing an exemption for the possession of powdered alcohol solely for the purpose of transportation through this state by specified entities; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 562.63, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

562.63 Powdered alcohol; prohibited sale, offer for sale, purchase, use, offer for use, or possession.—

(1) As used in this section, the term “powdered alcohol” means alcohol prepared in a powdered form for either direct use or consumption after the powder is combined with a liquid.

(2) A person may not sell, offer for sale, purchase, use, offer for use, or possess powdered alcohol.

(3) A vendor licensed under s. 565.02(1)(a)-(f) may not sell or offer for sale powdered alcohol.

(4)(a) A person who violates this section by selling or offering for sale powdered alcohol commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
(b) A person who violates this section by purchasing, using, offering for use, or possessing powdered alcohol commits a noncriminal violation, punishable by a fine of $250.

(5) This section does not apply to the use of powdered alcohol for research purposes by a:

(a) Health care provider that operates primarily for the purpose of conducting scientific research;

(b) State institution;

(c) State university or private college or university; or

(d) Pharmaceutical or biotechnology company.

(6) This section does not apply to the possession of powdered alcohol solely for the purpose of transportation through this state by a licensed manufacturer or a common carrier on behalf of a licensed manufacturer.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.