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SENATE BILL 527: ABC Omnibus 2023-24, Sec. 29: Allow Sale of Beer and Wine at Community College Sporting Events

Committee:		Date:	August 26, 2024
Introduced by:		Prepared by:	Chris Saunders Staff Attorney
Analysis of:	Sec. 29 of S.L. 2024-41		

OVERVIEW: Section 29 of S.L. 2024-41 allows community colleges to be included in the definition of "public college or university," for purposes of ABC permitting, which will allow the sale of beer and wine at community college stadiums, athletic facilities, or arenas. This section also repeals a provision that narrowly allows the sale of alcoholic beverages at certain community colleges during professional sporting events, because those sales will be allowed under this more general provision.

This section became effective July 8, 2024.

CURRENT LAW: Under current law, the sale of beer and wine is allowed at a stadium, athletic facility, or arena on the campus or property of a public college or university, if the Board of Trustees of the public college or university has voted to allow the issuance of permits there. However, the term "public college or university" explicitly excluded community colleges prior to enactment of this section.

BILL ANALYSIS: Section 29 of S.L. 2024-41 allows community colleges to be included in the definition of "public college or university," for purposes of ABC permitting, which will allow the sale of beer and wine at community college stadiums, athletic facilities, or arenas. This section also repeals a provision that narrowly allows the sale of alcoholic beverages at certain community colleges during professional sporting events, because those sales will be allowed under this more general provision.

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