

**Summary**

**Board Bill Number 12**

**Sponsor: Alderwoman Carol Howard**

**April 30, 2021**

The proposed Board Bill would impose a moratorium on the issuance of package liquor licenses for any currently non-licensed premises in the 14<sup>th</sup> Ward Liquor Control District for a period of three years following its effective date.

**BOARD BILL NUMBER 12 INTRODUCED BY: ALDERWOMAN CAROL HOWARD**

1 An ordinance prohibiting the issuance of any package liquor licenses for any currently non-  
2 licensed premises within the boundaries of the Fourteenth Ward Liquor Control District, as  
3 established herein, for a period of three years from the effective date hereof; containing an  
4 exception allowing, during the moratorium period, for the transfer and renewal of existing  
5 licenses, under certain circumstances, and the issuance of a drink license at previously non-  
6 licensed premises; and containing an emergency clause.

7 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

8 **SECTION ONE.** The existence of alcoholic beverage establishments appears to contribute  
9 directly to numerous peace, health, safety and general welfare problems including loitering,  
10 littering, drug trafficking, prostitution, public drunkenness, defacement and damaging of  
11 structures, pedestrian obstructions, as well as traffic circulation, parking and noise problems on  
12 public streets and neighborhood lots. The existence of such problems creates serious impacts on  
13 the health, safety and welfare of residents of single- and multiple family within the district,  
14 including fear for the safety of children, elderly residents and of visitors to the district. The  
15 problems also contribute to the deterioration of the neighborhood and concomitant devaluation  
16 of property and destruction of community values and quality of life. The number of  
17 establishments selling alcoholic beverages and the associated problems discourage more  
18 desirable and needed commercial uses in the area. In order to preserve the residential character  
19 and the neighborhood-serving commercial uses of the area, there shall be a moratorium on the  
20 issuance of new liquor licenses with the area beginning at the point of intersection of Delor St  
21 and Missouri Pacific RR, and proceeding westerly along Delor St to Steffens Ave, and  
22 proceeding southerly along Steffens Ave to Walsh St, and proceeding westerly along Walsh St

1 to Morganford Rd, and proceeding southerly along Morganford Rd to Walsh St, and proceeding  
2 westerly along Walsh St to Gravois Ave, and proceeding westerly along Gravois Ave to  
3 Eichelberger St, and proceeding westerly along Eichelberger St to Hummel Ave, and proceeding  
4 westerly along Hummel Ave to Dahlia Ave, and proceeding northerly along Dahlia Ave to  
5 north/south alleyway, and proceeding southerly along such alleyway to Rosa Ave, and  
6 proceeding northerly along Rosa Ave to S. Kingshighway Blvd, and proceeding southerly along  
7 S. Kingshighway Blvd to Rosa Ave, and proceeding westerly along Rosa Ave to Macklind Ave,  
8 and proceeding northerly along Macklind Ave to Bancroft Ave, and proceeding easterly along  
9 Bancroft Ave Brannon Ave, and proceeding northerly along Brannon Ave to Chippewa St, and  
10 proceeding easterly along Chippewa St to Missouri Pacific RR, and proceeding southerly along  
11 Missouri Pacific RR to the point of beginning. Such area shall be known as the Fourteenth Ward  
12 Liquor Control Area.

13 **SECTION TWO.** The Excise Commissioner is hereby prohibited, for a period of three years,  
14 beginning as of the effective date of this Ordinance, from approving the issuance of a package  
15 liquor license for any premises which is located within the boundaries of the Fourteenth Liquor  
16 Control District established in Section One of this ordinance.

17 **SECTION THREE.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Section Two of this Ordinance, the  
18 Excise Commissioner shall have authority to:

- 19 1. Approve transfer of an existing license to another premises within the petition circle of  
20 the currently licensed premises, pursuant to the provisions of subsection (B) of section  
21 14.06.330 of Ordinance 68536; and
- 22 2. Approve the renewal of an existing license under the provisions of Section 14.08.090 of  
23 Ordinance 68536.

3. Issue a drink license for premises, not licensed as of the effective date of this Ordinance.

1 **SECTION FOUR.** Emergency Clause. This being an ordinance for the preservation of  
2 public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the  
3 meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore  
4 this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.