

# Legislative Analysis

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## DEFINE CERTAIN REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS AS ALLOWABLE BRANDED BARWARE

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**House Bill 6084 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Tyrone Carter**  
**Committee: Regulatory Reform**  
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### SUMMARY:

House Bill 6084 would amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code to allow retailers to use branded *refrigeration systems* that advertise spirits, beer, or wine if they are purchased from a barware retailer.<sup>1</sup>

*Refrigeration system* would mean a machine less than 10 cubic feet that cools beverages.

Currently, the code allows retailers to use branded barware as defined in the act or by a rule promulgated by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. However, the commission is prohibited from issuing a rule that adds refrigerator systems to the definition of barware.

The bill would add refrigeration systems to the items specifically included in the code's definition of barware.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on any units of state or local government.

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<sup>1</sup> A *barware retailer* is defined as a person that offers brand logoed barware for sale to retailers, whether or not it is in their ordinary course of business, and that is not licensed as, or directly or indirectly affiliated with, a manufacturer of beer or wine, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouse, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink. A licensing agreement that authorizes use of a brand logo does not count as a direct or indirect affiliation.