

AN ORDINANCE

NO.

An Ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Columbus Code pertaining to Alcoholic Beverages to recognize O.C.G.A. § 3-3-11 which allows on-premises licensees to sell sealed mix-drinks for carry out with food orders subject to certain restrictions; and for other purposes.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1.

Columbus Code Section 3-15 is hereby repealed and replaced with a new section 3-15 to read as follows:

“Sec. Sec. 3-15. - Open containers of alcoholic beverages, consuming alcoholic beverages in motor vehicles.

It shall be unlawful for any person to consume alcoholic beverages or to have in his or her possession any open container or package of alcoholic beverages while aboard any motor vehicle operated or parked on any public street or public property or on any private property open to public access or vehicular traffic unless such person is a passenger in a motor vehicle driven by a hired chauffeur or other driver which is licensed by the city to operate a motor vehicle for hire or is a passenger aboard a chartered carrier or a carrier wherein the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is allowed by law or unless such open container or package is in the trunk of the motor vehicle or kept in a locked glove compartment or in some other area of the vehicle not normally occupied by the driver or passengers; a container or package shall be deemed open when the original seal is broken, and any receptacle with an open top or with a straw shall be classified as an open container or package. Provided; however, nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the sale of mixed drinks by an on-premises licensee in an approved container for carryout in compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 3-3-11.”

SECTION 2.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 25th day of May, 2021, introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said Council held on the ____ day of _____, 2019, and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting _____
Councilor Barnes voting _____
Councilor Crabb voting _____
Councilor Davis voting _____
Councilor Garrett voting _____

Councilor House voting _____
Councilor Huff voting _____
Councilor Thomas voting _____
Councilor Tucker voting _____
Councilor Woodson voting _____

Sandra T. Davis
Clerk of Council

B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III
Mayor