

Business Impact Estimate

This form should be included in the agenda packet for the item under which the proposed ordinance is to be considered and must be posted on the City's website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.

Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2025-2342

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PRESENCE OF MINORS IN BUSINESSES SELLING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; REPEALING CHAPTER 6, SECTION 6-5 OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES IN ITS ENTIRETY; PROVIDING DIRECTION FOR CODIFICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. If one or more boxes are checked below, this means the City is of the view that a business impact estimate is not required by state law¹ for the proposed ordinance, but the City is, nevertheless, providing this Business Impact Estimate as a courtesy and to avoid any procedural issues that could impact the enactment of the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

- ☐ The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- ☐ The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
 - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, the City hereby publishes the following information:

¹ See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

Chapter 6, Section 6-5 of the City of Lake City (the “City”) Code of Ordinances (the “Code”) prohibits a person licensed by the State of Florida, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco (a “Licensee”) from selling alcoholic beverages on such licensed premises while a person under the age of twenty-one (21) years is present on such premises. The current iteration of this ordinance was enacted in or before 1968. It is now common for restaurants and other eating establishments to provide food and other amenities to people under the age of twenty-one (21) years, including children accompanied by parents, while also serving alcohol to others twenty-one (21) years of age and older in such establishment. Additionally, Chapter 6, Section 6-5 of the Code has not been enforced by the law enforcement authorities in the City at any time in recent memory. Furthermore, state statutes and regulations permit establishments which serve alcohol to self-examine their risks and to self-regulate the age of those who are permitted on their premises while alcohol is served to those of a legal age to purchase it. Accordingly, repealing Chapter 6, Section 6-5 of the Code would align the Code with current social, economic, and law enforcement practices, while allowing uniform enforcement pursuant to state statutes.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City, if any:

- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and
- (c) An estimate of the City’s regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

This proposed ordinance repeals a regulation and there would be no regulatory impacts on business.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

No known number of businesses, but every business that serves alcohol in the City would benefit from the relief afforded by the repeal of Section 6-5 of the Code of Ordinances.

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

Adoption of this ordinance would allow enforcement of state law without additional local regulation.