

Senate File 150 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 1)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act modifying the definition of high alcoholic content beer
2 to exclude added caffeine and other added stimulants, and
3 including effective date provisions.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 123.3, subsection 14A, Code 2011, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 14A. *"High alcoholic content beer"* means beer which contains
4 more than five percent of alcohol by weight, but not more
5 than twelve percent of alcohol by weight, that is made by the
6 fermentation of an infusion in potable water of barley, malt,
7 and hops, with or without unmalted grains or decorticated and
8 degerminated grains. *"High alcoholic content beer"* does not
9 include beer which contains added caffeine or other added
10 stimulants including but not limited to guarana, ginseng, and
11 taurine.

12 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of
13 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill excludes from the definition of "high alcoholic
16 content beer" beer containing added caffeine or other added
17 stimulants including but not limited to guarana, ginseng,
18 and taurine. This is consistent with a determination by the
19 federal food and drug administration that alcoholic beverages
20 to which caffeine and other stimulants are added are unsafe.

21 The bill takes effect upon enactment.