



# Legislative Council Staff

## Research Note

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### Bill Number

**House Bill 16-1271**

### Sponsors

***Representatives Singer &  
Nordberg  
Senators Jahn & Lundberg***

### Short Title

***Limited Winery Direct Delivery  
Personal Consumers***

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### Status

This research note reflects the final version of the bill, which became effective on August 10, 2016.

### Summary

Under current law, a limited winery licensee with a winery direct shipper's permit may only use a common carrier to deliver the wine it manufactures to personal consumers within Colorado. This bill allows a limited winery licensee to deliver the wine it manufactures either by common carrier or directly to personal consumers without the use of a common carrier, as long as the licensee also has a winery direct shipper's permit and follows the requirements of the permit.

### Background

Under current law a winery direct shipper's permit holder is allowed to sell and deliver wine that the permit holder produced or bottled to personal consumers in Colorado. Permit holders must follow specific requirements currently outlined in law, including not selling wine to people under the age of 21 and following specific packaging requirements.

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## House Action

**House Business Affairs and Labor Committee (March 10, 2016).** At the hearing, a representative from Kingman Estates Winery testified in support of the bill. A representative from the Colorado Wine Industry Development Board testified in a neutral position. The committee adopted amendment L.001 and referred the bill, as amended, to the House Committee of the Whole. Amendment L.001 maintains a limited winery licensee's ability to deliver wine it manufactures by common carrier or directly to personal consumers.

**House second reading (March 16, 2016).** The House adopted the House Business Affairs and Labor Committee report and passed the bill on second reading.

**House third reading (March 17, 2016).** The House passed the bill on third reading with no amendments.

## Senate Action

**Senate Business, Labor, & Technology Committee (March 28, 2016).** At the hearing, a representative from the Colorado Association of Viticulture and Enology testified in support of the bill. A representative from the Colorado Wine Board testified in a neutral position. The committee referred the bill, unamended, to the Senate Committee of the Whole with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar.

**Senate second reading (March 30, 2016).** The Senate passed the bill, unamended, on second reading.

**Senate third reading (March 31, 2016).** The Senate passed the bill on third reading with no amendments.