

House Bill 645

By: Representatives Benfield of the 56th, Post 1, Ehrhart of the 28th, Graves of the 106th, Chambers of the 53rd, Moraitakis of the 42nd, Post 4, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages,
2 so as to redefine the term "malt beverage"; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

4 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

5 Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, is
6 amended by striking paragraph (13) of Code Section 3-1-2, relating to definitions, and
7 inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (13) to read as follows:

8 "(13) 'Malt beverage' means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of any
9 infusion or decoction of barley, malt, hops, or any other similar product, or any
10 combination of such products in water, ~~containing not more than 6 percent alcohol by~~
11 ~~volume and including ale, porter, brown, stout, lager beer, small beer, and strong beer.~~

12 The term does not include sake, known as Japanese rice wine."

13 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

14 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.