



CLERK OF GAHANNA CITY COUNCIL

200 S HAMILTON RD
GAHANNA, OH 43230

November 13, 2024

RECEIVED

NOV 18 2024

BY: *J. Van Meter* Clerk
COUNCIL OFFICE

NOTICE TO LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITIES
Objections to Renewal of a Retail Liquor Permit

Dear Clerk of Legislative Authority:

All Class C and D retail permits to sell alcoholic beverages in your political subdivision will expire on **February 1, 2025**. In order to maintain permit privileges, every permit holder must file an online renewal application with the Division.

Ohio Revised Code Section 4303.271(B) provides the legislative authority with the right to object to the renewal of a retail permit and to request a hearing. The hearing may be held in the county seat of the county in which the permit premises is located if that request is made in writing. This will be your only opportunity to object to the renewal of a liquor permit premises which might be a problem in your community.

In order to register a valid objection with the Division of Liquor Control and request a hearing, the legislative authority must pass a resolution that specifies the problems at the liquor permit premises and the legal grounds for the objection as set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section 4303.292(A). We suggest that a separate resolution be passed for each permit premises. The Chief Legal Officer of your political subdivision must also submit a statement with the resolution that, in their opinion, the objection is based on substantial legal grounds within the meaning and intent of Ohio Revised Code Section 4303.29(A).

The resolution and Chief Legal Officer's statement must be sent by email (below) or mailed to the Division of Liquor Control, Attn: Legal Section, 6606 Tussing Road, P.O. Box 4005, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068-9005 and postmarked no later than January 2, 2025.

You may wish to contact the law enforcement agency for your jurisdiction to determine if it has any information which will aid in your decision whether or not to object and request a hearing. You can find retail permit holders within your jurisdiction by going to com.ohio.gov/findapermithubolder. Select your city/township name where asked and "issued" under "class issue status." For more information on other ways to deal with problems establishments, including a copy of the text of this letter, go to com.ohio.gov/govhelp.

If you determine that there are no permit premises within your jurisdiction that you wish to object to, you do not need to take any further action. The renewal applications for those premises will be submitted by the permit holders and will be processed by the Division as appropriate.

If you have any questions, please contact the Legal Section at liquorlegal@com.ohio.gov. Sign up for our emails at com.ohio.gov/stayinformed.

DOLC Licensing Section