Overview

This bill expands the scope of a felony penalty under the liquor law to include the bartering, furnishing, or giving of alcoholic beverages to a person under 21 years of age when that person becomes intoxicated and causes or suffers death or great bodily harm as a result of the intoxication.

Section

1 **Unlawful acts.** Current law provides a felony penalty for the sale of alcoholic beverages to an underage purchaser of the alcoholic beverages who becomes intoxicated, and as a result of the intoxication, causes or suffers death or great bodily harm. This bill includes within the felony penalty the bartering, furnishing, or giving of alcoholic beverages to a person under 21 years of age if that person becomes intoxicated, and as a result of the intoxication, causes or suffers death or great bodily harm.

This particular felony penalty applies to sales by individuals other than a licensed retailer of alcoholic beverages, a bottle club permit holder, a municipal liquor store, or an employee or agent of any of these, acting within the scope of employment.

2 **Effective date.** Section 1 is effective August 1, 1999, for crimes committed on or after that date.