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## Substitute Bill Comparative Synopsis

### Sub. H.B. 127

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House State and Local Government

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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Previous Version (As Introduced)	Latest Version (I_134_0794-2)
<b>Future violations</b>	
Prohibits disciplinary actions against businesses that violate COVID-related orders after the bill's effective date and before October 1, 2021 ( <i>Section 1</i> ).	No provision.
<b>Business no longer exists</b>	
No provision.	When refunding a fine, if a business no longer exists, the Director of OBM or the board of health must make a reasonable effort to locate, and issue the refund to, the owner of the business ( <i>Section 1</i> ).

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<b>Liquor rules specifically included</b>	
<p>Applies generally to executive orders addressing COVID; state or local orders or rules under Chapter 3701 (Health Law); emergency rules; and any order, rule, or directive issued by a state agency or a board of health imposing restrictions related to COVID on a business.</p> <p>Generally requires all state agencies and boards of health to expunge COVID violations, but does not require notification of expungements.</p> <p>Refunds all COVID-related fines. <i>(Section 1.)</i></p>	<p>Also, specifically identifies the following as falling under the bill's provisions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. O.A.C. Rule 4301:1-1-13 (Emergency suspension of sales of beer, wine, mixed beverages, and spirituous liquor for on-premises consumption).</li> <li>2. O.A.C. Rule 4301:1-1-80 (Limitation on hours for on-premises sales or consumption and expansion of sales of beer, wine, mixed beverages, and spirituous liquor for off-premises consumption).</li> <li>3. Insofar as the rule is enforced regarding COVID-19, O.A.C. Rule 4301:1-1-52(B)(1) (Prohibited activity-engaging in disorderly activities).</li> </ol> <p>Also, specifically requires the Liquor Control Commission to expunge these violations, to notify businesses of the expungements, and to report to the General Assembly about the expungements and refunds.</p> <p>Specifies a fine for violating one of these rules is refunded unless another conviction was assessed at the time of adjudication for a non-COVID-related violation. <i>(Section 1.)</i></p>
<b>Non-COVID-related matters</b>	
<p>No provision, but the bill As Introduced does not prohibit the enforcement of non-COVID-related matters.</p>	<p>Specifies the bill does not prohibit the enforcement of non-COVID-related matters. <i>(Section 1.)</i></p>