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Center for Alcohol Policy Celebrate and Learn More about Repeal Day

Here are our top five resources for learning more about alcohol regulations and the 21st Amendment.

On December 5, 1933, the United States ratified the 21st Amendment to the Constitution, laying the foundation for today's state-based alcohol regulatory system. The passage of the 21st Amendment repealed prohibition and set in motion the alcohol laws and regulations that we have today.

For over 80 years, the United States and its citizens have benefited from the 21st Amendment's passage, which gives each state the primary authority to enact and enforce alcohol laws consistent with the desires and needs of its residents.

Below are the Center for Alcohol Policy's top five resources to help you learn more about this historic day.

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Navigating the COVID-19 Health Crisis—Information, Leadership, and Support

This important panel discussion, created as the first in the Destination Zero Year-End Fatality Report and Program Series, a series of programs to supplement the January 11, 2021 release of the 2020 Officer Fatality Report, will focus on the need for early and accurate information, visible leadership and clear communication, and departmental support during COVID-19 and other public health crises.

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NY-Bar owner drove into officer while fleeing arrest for flouting shutdown orders, sheriff says

Fleeing arrest early Sunday morning after brazenly flouting **coronavirus** restrictions, the co-owner of a New York bar hit a sheriff's sergeant with his car — driving about 100 yards with the officer on the hood and leaving the man with fractured shinbones, authorities say. Mac's Public House on Staten Island had **declared itself** an "autonomous zone," racking up coronavirus violations, a liquor license suspension and eventually full-out shutdown orders, while rallying those frustrated with New York's tightened rules meant to fight a viral resurgence. When deputies busted the establishment last week and arrested co-owner Danny Presti, hundreds turned out to **protest**.

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Outgoing California 'Cannabis Czar' Selected to Lead State's Craft Brewers

Association

Lori Ajax, the outgoing chief of California's Bureau of Cannabis Control (BCC), has been named the new executive director of the California Craft Brewers Association (CCBA). The Dec. 4 **announcement** comes about two weeks after Marijuana Business Daily **confirmed** that Ajax would step down from the BCC on Dec. 2, 2020. Outgoing CCBA director Tom McCormick, who oversaw the largest state trade association for craft breweries in the U.S., is **retiring** after 15 years at the helm of the organization.

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CO-Liquor store employee convicted for selling to visibly intoxicated Lindsey Ward

A liquor store clerk has been found guilty of selling alcohol to a visibly intoxicated Lindsey Ward minutes before she caused a fatal crash on Colorado Highway 9 last year. Avran LeFeber, one of two clerks cited in the incident, was convicted of the misdemeanor charge in a written ruling penned by County Judge Edward Casias that was entered into court record Dec. 7. A sentence in the case has not yet been determined. On Aug. 30, 2019, Ward was driving on Highway 9 near Blue River when she swerved into oncoming traffic and caused a head-on collision with another vehicle. Benjamin Mitton, 41, and Nichole Gough, 43, were killed in the crash.

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FL-New bills propose making "alcohol to go" permanent

"Alcohol to go" may become a permanent offering from restaurants and other specific food establishments in Florida, if bills filed Friday are passed during the next Florida legislative session in March. At the beginning of the pandemic this year, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis included what he called "alcohol to go" in an executive order to provide an additional source of revenue for restaurants slammed by mandated closures and scaled back operating rules. Many of them were forced to rely on take-out orders to survive. Adding alcohol gave a much-needed boost to restaurateurs' strained bottom line.

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House of Representatives passes marijuana legalization bill

The Democratic-controlled House of Representatives passed legislation legalizing **marijuana** at the federal level Friday, the first time either chamber of Congress has **voted** on the matter. The bill, the MORE Act, passed by a mostly party-line 228-164 vote. The Republican-controlled Senate is unlikely to take up the legislation.

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Cannabis Beverage Sales Are Booming and One Local Company Is Leading the Way

Forget the many buzz-inducing gummy candies and chocolate bars. More and more cannabis consumers are opting to drink their drug of choice. The cannabis beverage market, worth \$901.8 million in 2018, has grown 45 percent annually in the past two years and is expected to

reach \$5.8 billion by 2025.

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- **Controlling Community Events** – Leo Sokoloski, PA Bloomburg University
- **Alcohol Delivery Services and Underage Persons** – Matt Stemple, NC
- **High in the Cloud: Fake IDs, Online Sales, and Delivery of Cannabis and Alcohol** – Susan Dworak - RealIdentities
- **Source Investigations/Sales to Intoxicated Persons (SIP)/Place of Last Drink (POLD)** – Todd Merlina, PA

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