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William "Bill" B. Patterson Jr., passed away on August 30, 2020. Bill served as NLLEA President from 2000-2001.

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“Deputy Director Patterson dedicated his life to the service of others. He significantly contributed to North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement’s focus on providing consistent and quality service to the citizens of our state. Bill was a pioneer in the area of linking data-driven underage drinking behaviors with intervention programs and methodology. Our agency’s culture has been meaningfully impacted by his leadership and will continue to be for many years to come.” - Director Bryan House

Virginia-Three Police Officers Assaulted In Arlington Liquor Store

An eyewitness and local news outlets say a man assaulted three police officers in Arlington, Va. Tuesday night, causing them to go to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries and shutting down a main traffic thoroughfare.

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Wisconsin-3 Carroll University students suspended, breached Code of Conduct

The students admitted to being aware of gathering restrictions being limited to ten people but did not think it applied to them off-campus. The students appealed the decision, but that appeal was denied.

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PA expands restaurant occupancy, last liquor call 10 p.m.

In responding to pleas from restaurant owners who have been hurt by restrictions imposed due to the coronavirus pandemic, Pennsylvania's Governor is expanding restaurant occupancy, but cutting off liquor sales at 10 p.m. Governor Tom Wolf announced on Tuesday that restaurants might increase indoor occupancy to 50 percent starting September 21. The order issued on Tuesday comes with the condition that restaurants will have to comply with public health safety guidelines and orders through a self-certification process. Restaurants that self-certify will appear in the Open & Certified Pennsylvania searchable online database of certified restaurants.

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Texas VFW, American Legion Halls to Reopen Without Alcohol

Under the new plan jointly developed by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, the VFW and state elected officials, veterans service groups are allowed to reopen if they temporarily surrender their alcoholic beverage license, reopen only those portions of the facilities that where there is no bar or get reclassified as a restaurant using their own kitchen or by partnering with a third-party food vendor. The latter option was offered to all other bars in Texas a couple of weeks ago.

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South Africa Booze, Tobacco Ban Created New Criminal Networks

South Africa could take years to dismantle the criminal networks that sprung up and benefited from a ban on the sale of alcohol and tobacco products during the country's coronavirus lockdown, according to the head of the tax agency.

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DtC Shippers to Get Sales Tax Support Under Latest SST Contract

Under the latest Streamlined Sales Tax Agreement, direct-to-consumer shippers of alcoholic beverages can soon get increased support, including compensation and audit protections, for using approved sales tax technology services like Sovos ShipCompliant. This should prove to be extremely welcome news for the DtC shipping market as managing sales tax obligations is consistently one of the biggest headaches for DtC shippers.

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How Bars Are Fueling COVID-19 Outbreaks

From the early days of the U.S. coronavirus outbreak, states have wrestled with the best course of action for the nation's imperiled bars and nightclubs. Many of these businesses find their economic prospects tied to a virus that preys on their industry's lifeblood — social gatherings in tight quarters. Public health experts and top health officials, including the Dr. Tony Fauci, say **the evidence is abundantly clear**: When bars open, infections tend to follow.

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After Nearly 40 Years on the Wagon, the Oregon Health Authority Is Turning to Alcohol for Revenue

In November, Oregonians will vote on Measure 108, which would raise the tax on a pack of cigarettes from \$1.33 to \$3.33, moving the state's tobacco tax from 32nd-highest in the country to sixth. Not among the many tax measures on the ballot: new taxes on beer and wine, which have not risen in nearly 40 years and are among the nation's lowest.

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NHTSA: 50 Years of Advances in Road Safety and the Challenges Ahead

VIRTUAL EVENT

You're invited to join the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for a series of discussions about road safety. Throughout the week of September 14, we'll highlight key areas of road safety over the last five decades and discuss the challenges ahead. The four-day virtual event will conclude on September 17 with remarks by [U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao](#) and a keynote address by [NHTSA Deputy Administrator James Owens](#).

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Healthy Alcohol Marketplace

2020 Issue Briefs for States Brief Explanations of Common Alcohol Regulatory Issues Facing State and Local Communities. [Click here to download PDF](#).

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