

Ohio - DeWine: Lawyers to Evaluate if Cincinnati Can Be Exempt from Liquor Curfew After CPD Links it to Gun Violence

The City of Cincinnati has seen 355 shootings so far this year — a 49% increase from this time last year, according to police data — and 68 homicides. And Mayor John Cranley and Cincinnati Police Chief Eliot Isaac are linking that uptick to fall-out from the coronavirus pandemic, and recently — specifically — the 10 p.m. liquor curfew enacted by Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine.

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Michigan brewers caught off guard by charitable donation regulations

Brewery owners statewide were caught off guard after being informed they could be violating state liquor regulations by brewing beer for charitable causes.

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OREGON COULD BECOME THE FIRST STATE TO DECRIMINALIZE DRUGS IN NOVEMBER

A ballot initiative could decriminalize low-level drug possession and fund addiction treatment. Getting caught with drugs like cocaine, heroin, or methamphetamine normally leads to arrest, jail time, and a criminal record. But that could change in Oregon, which in November could become the first state in the nation to decriminalize possession of personal amounts of drugs, weighing between a gram or two depending on the substance.

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Legal performance-enhancing substances associated with future problematic alcohol use

A new study published in the journal *Pediatrics* found that young adults aged 18-26 who used legal performance-enhancing substances were significantly more likely to report several problematic alcohol use and drinking-related risk behaviors seven years later. This relationship was especially strong among men.

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NJ's Two Largest Wine & Spirits Wholesalers and 20 of Their Biggest Retail Customers to Pay a Total of \$10.3 Million for Engaging in Discriminatory

Trade Practices

Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal and the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (“ABC”) today announced that New Jersey’s two largest wine and spirits wholesalers will pay \$4 million each to resolve findings that they engaged in discriminatory trade practices that unfairly favored their largest retail customers. In addition, twenty retailers statewide will pay a total of \$2.3 million for their part in the unlawful scheme.

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City of Sturgis approves social district, commons area

During public comment time at the commission meeting, Matt Craven of Burr Oak Township, a frequent city visitor, said he believes it is discriminatory toward cannabis users to allow alcohol to be consumed in designated areas while not allowing people to enjoy cannabis in the same setting.

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Health department violations, citations reported at Morgantown bars

The health department said all of the citations were COVID-19-related, except for one that involved underage drinking. The news release said one bar that was open with patrons inside locked the front door and was issued a citation by a city fire marshal.

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Alcohol is unique among impairing drugs in that there is a documented correlation between blood levels and levels of impairment. This does not exist for other drugs and it has been shown to be nonexistent for THC in marijuana. It is not possible to currently identify a valid impairment standard for marijuana or any other drug equivalent to the .08 percent blood alcohol content limit.

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This Little-Known Tax Loophole Qualifies Certain U.S. Bars And Restaurants For An Immediate Refund

If you’ve bought or sold an alcoholic beverage to-go from a bar or restaurant in a state that’s made an emergency accommodation to allow these drink sales during the pandemic, you may qualify for an immediate tax refund.

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