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**NLLEA**  
National Liquor Law Enforcement Association

**NLLEA 2021 Virtual Training Symposium**  
**ENFORCEMENT & LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS**  
Enforcement workshops will run from 1pm to 3pm each day  
Leadership workshops will run from 3pm to 5pm each day  
These webinars are available free to NLLEA members, please register at:  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register?WN\\_SZAGZEobSq20A\\_zh46Aayv](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register?WN_SZAGZEobSq20A_zh46Aayv)

**Day 1 - May 11, 2021 12:45 pm – Opening Remarks**

**Enforcement**  
1:00 – 2:00 pm  
**Warrantless Administrative Search Authority**  
*Chief Ted Mahony, Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission*  
This training session will cover the history of warrantless administrative searches as it has developed through the United States Supreme Court and various Appeals Courts; including the current court ruling status, parameters and constraints of conducting a warrantless administrative search as a state alcohol enforcement agency along with guidelines and operational plans for agents to assist them in remaining within the court parameters when conducting searches of licensed premises.

Frederick Mahony has served as Chief of the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission since 2001. In 2004 he was named the National Liquor Law Enforcement Association (NLLEA) Agent of the Year for his leadership in ensuring effective liquor law enforcement in Massachusetts and in 2008 the Massachusetts ABCC was recognized as the NLLEA Agency of the Year for its innovative enforcement programs. Chief Mahony has developed strong data driven enforcement programs toward the prevention of impaired driving and underage drinking for both Massachusetts ABCC and the NLLEA. In 2012, Chief Mahony testified before the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) on the role that alcohol law enforcement officers play in preventing impaired driving. He indicated that using "place of last drink" (POLD) data to drive enforcement action led to a reduction in impaired driving arrests associated with establishments that were targeted for intervention, information the NTSB has since included in their recommendations. Chief Mahony served as President of the NLLEA in 2008-2009 and again in 2012-2013.

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**There is still time to register!**  
**2021 NLLEA Training Symposium**  
**Registration**

You can choose to attend one or more of the following webinars. Time shows in EST

- Day 1 - May 11, 2021 12:45 pm Opening Remarks - 1-5 pm Workshops**
- Day 2 - May 18, 2021 12:45 pm Opening Remarks - 1-5 pm Workshops**
- Day 3 - May 25, 2021 12:45 pm Opening Remarks - 1-5 pm Workshops**

Workshops will be made available on demand in June for NLLEA members

The 2021 Annual Conference, will be held **November 15-17** in Montgomery, Alabama at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center, in collaboration with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) State Bureau of Investigation. Conference registration and hotel accommodations are now open!



In recognition of Alcohol Awareness Month, ALE special agents concluded a statewide enforcement operation on Friday resulting in over 200 persons charged and seizures of alcoholic beverages, drugs, firearms and cash. Across the eight districts, ALE special agents worked collectively to reduce alcohol related crimes and addressed problematic, high-crime areas around ABC-licensed and unlicensed illegal businesses. These concentrated efforts resulted in the service of two search warrants and the seizure of two firearms, a vehicle, various illegal controlled substances, and U.S. Currency. The offenses included 176 alcoholic beverage related charges, 136 drug related charges, as well as 64 felony charges.

“ALE’s primary mission is to reduce alcohol related crimes and proactively reduce crime around establishments where alcoholic beverages are sold,” said Israel Morrow, Assistant Director for Operations of Alcohol Law Enforcement. “By partnering with sheriffs and police chiefs around the State, we’re able to maximize our efforts, connect with our communities and make these locations safer for North Carolinians.”

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### **NH Liquor Commission Says House Budget Would Disrupt Agency And Revenues**

Liquor Commission officials told Senate budget writers Friday the agency could experience unknown disruptions in revenues and operations with the House-approved elimination of 20 enforcement officers. Under the House-passed, \$18.67 billion two-year operating budget, 20 liquor law enforcement positions are eliminated in the second year of the biennium with budget writers citing a Legislative Budget Assistant’s audit of the agency in making the decision.

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### **Missouri Highway Patrol reports teen fatalities rising compared to 2020**

The Missouri Highway Patrol is beginning a campaign for enforcement against underage impaired driving. At the end of first quarter 2021, teen fatalities rose 63% over this time compared to 2020. In the last three years, there were 24 fatal crashes and 101 serious injury crashes involving an alcohol-impaired driver under the age of 21. In those crashes, 26 people died and 132 were seriously injured in these crashes.

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### **MI-You could drink ‘socially’ outside in new downtown Jackson proposal**

At its 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 27 virtual meeting, the Jackson City Council will consider a plan to establish a “**social district**,” or a local government-designated area where outdoor drinking is permitted, in downtown Jackson. The Michigan Legislature passed a law last year to make it easier for restaurants and bars to take advantage of public outdoor spaces, encouraging business while social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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### **A proposal for reducing drunk driving**

We need a workable solution. I suggest that Florida adopt universal carding. Even gray-haired seniors would be required to show an I.D. in order to purchase alcohol. In 2007 Tennessee became the first state in the U.S. to require mandatory universal carding while purchasing beer in grocery stores, convenience stores and package stores. The law has since been expanded to cover wine and liquor as well. The law does not apply to sales of alcohol in bars and restaurants. I see this as an unfortunate loophole.

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### **Natty Light releases 8% ABV ice pops**

The Anheuser-Busch-owned brand has announced the launch of two refreshing-sounding 8% ABV ice pops in Strawberry Lemonade and Pineapple Lemonade flavours, perfect for a cool-down with a boozy kick after a sun-dappled frolic. The frozen pops are set to hit stores this month, the brand says, with availability ranging across the United States.

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### **How Bad Is Our Pandemic Drinking Problem?**

Even before the pandemic began, some Americans were drinking significantly more alcohol than they had in

decades past — with damaging consequences. In 2020, researchers at the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (N.I.A.A.A.) found that from 1999 through 2017, per capita consumption increased by 8 percent and the number of alcohol-related deaths doubled, many caused by liver disease. The trends are particularly concerning for women: Whereas the number of men who reported any drinking stayed mostly the same, the proportion of women who did so increased 10 percent, and the number of women who reported binge drinking, or consuming roughly four or more drinks in about two hours, increased by 23 percent.

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### **Avalara for Beverage Alcohol Now Features Shipping Verification, Providing Real-Time Compliance for Direct-to-Consumer Sellers**

**Avalara, Inc.** (NYSE: AVLRL), a leading provider of cloud-based tax compliance automation for businesses of all sizes, today announced the availability of Avalara Shipping Verification for Beverage Alcohol (Avalara Shipping Verification). Avalara Shipping Verification is a new enhancement to **Avalara for Beverage Alcohol**, which provides a complete solution for direct-to-consumer (DTC) alcohol businesses across the compliance life cycle, from licensing and product registrations to tax calculations and returns.

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### **The Collection: An Alcohol Research Summary**

Alcohol regulation should be guided and supported by the science. NABCA has partnered with the alcohol research experts at the [Alcohol Research Group](#) (ARG) to provide its members a comprehensive overview of the latest scientific evidence on important topics related to alcohol policy. The Collection: An Alcohol Research Summary (The Collection), formerly named the Annotated Bibliography, seeks to help states 1) understand the evidence on alcohol-related harms, 2) identify effective policies to reduce the harm associated with alcohol, 3) evaluate and improve their existing alcohol regulatory systems and 4) determine where more research is needed.

[Link to The Collection](#)



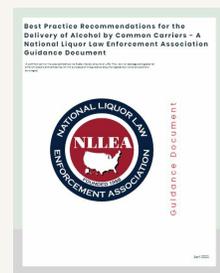
#### **TTB NEWSLETTER | Weekly News**

April 23, 2020

The TTB Newsletter compiles the top TTB news of the week and other helpful information for the alcohol and tobacco industries we regulate.

### **Best Practice Recommendations for the Delivery of Alcohol by Common Carriers**

The NLLEA encourages Common Carriers to not become complacent in their responsibility to keep alcohol from being delivered to minors and to those overly intoxicated. The NLLEA advocates for high standards of responsible alcohol delivery by Common Carriers through training and education of their employees and the understanding of laws and penalties associated with a violation.



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