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**LAW OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA**

**AMENDING ARTICLE 18 OF THE LAW ON ALCOHOL CONTROL NOI- 857**

No of 2018

Vilnius

**Article 1. Amendment of Article 18**

Article 18(4) shall be amended to be worded as follows:

“4. It shall be prohibited to sell in the Republic of Lithuania:

1) alcoholic beverages on tap. This prohibition shall not apply to alcoholic beverages sold at permanent catering places, at expositions and fairs taking place in permanent buildings, on international trains, narrow-gauge railway trains and ships which have separately set up catering places, aircraft carrying passengers on international routes, alcoholic beverages (ethyl alcohol by volume which does not exceed 22 %) sold at temporary catering places during a resort, recreational and tourist season period established by a municipal council, as well as beer, beer blends with non-alcoholic beverages and naturally-fermented cider on tap sold in outlet stores of undertakings producing alcoholic beverages, beer, beer blends with non-alcoholic beverages, naturally-fermented mead and naturally-fermented cider (ethyl alcohol by volume which does not exceed 7.5 %) on tap sold at expositions, fairs and other mass gatherings;

2) alcoholic beverages to intoxicated persons;

3) alcoholic beverages to persons under 20 years of age;

4) alcoholic beverages belonging to those groups of beer, fermented beverages, alcoholic cocktails that contain ethyl alcohol by volume which exceeds 6 %, bottled in packaging of more than 0.2 litre, except in cases where such beverages are bottled in glass, ceramic, wooden or metal packaging;

5) alcoholic beverages belonging to those groups of beer, fermented beverages, alcoholic cocktails that contain ethyl alcohol by volume which does not exceed 6 %, bottled in packaging of more than 1 litre, except in cases where such beverages are bottled in glass, ceramic, wooden or metal packaging;

6) alcoholic drinks — stronger than 22 % ABV — bottled by the manufacturer into glasses, cups and other containers for immediate consumption.”

**Article 2. Entry into force of this Law**

This Law shall enter into force on 1 July 2020.

*I hereby declare this law adopted by Parliament of the Republic of Lithuania.*

President of the Republic

The draft is submitted on behalf of the Parliamentary Health Committee

Chair of the Committee Asta Kubilienė