

**No. 17. An act relating to powers and immunities of the liquor control investigators.**

(H.6)

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 561(a) is amended to read:

(a) The director of the enforcement division of the department of liquor control and investigators employed by the liquor control board or by the department of liquor control shall be law enforcement officers and shall have the same powers and immunities as those conferred on the state police by ~~section 1914 of Title 20, as necessary to carry out liquor control enforcement duties under this title or while performing liquor control enforcement duties at a licensed premise or event catered by a licensee or in the immediate vicinity of a licensed premise or an event catered by a licensee~~ 20 V.S.A. § 1914.

Sec. 2. 23 V.S.A. § 4(11) is amended to read:

(11) “Enforcement officers” shall include sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, police officers, state’s attorneys, capitol police officers, motor vehicle inspectors, liquor investigators, state game wardens, and state police, and for enforcement of offenses relating to parking of motor vehicles, meter checkers, and other duly authorized employees of a municipality employed to assist in the enforcement of parking regulations. “Enforcement officers” shall also include duly authorized employees of the department of motor vehicles for the purpose of issuing complaints related to their administrative duties, for

enforcement of nonmoving traffic violations enumerated in subdivisions 2302(a)(1), (2), (3) and (4) of this title, pursuant to 4 V.S.A. § 1105.

Sec. 3. 7 V.S.A. § 561(a) is amended to read:

(a) The director of the enforcement division of the department of liquor control and investigators employed by the liquor control board or by the department of liquor control shall be law enforcement officers and shall have the same powers and immunities as those conferred on the state police by 20 V.S.A. § 1914, as necessary to carry out liquor control enforcement duties under this title or while performing liquor control enforcement duties at a licensed premises or event catered by a licensee or in the immediate vicinity of a licensed premises or an event catered by a licensee.

Sec. 4. 23 V.S.A. § 4(11) is amended to read:

(11) “Enforcement officers” shall include sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, police officers, state’s attorneys, capitol police officers, motor vehicle inspectors, ~~liquor investigators,~~ state game wardens, and state police, and for enforcement of offenses relating to parking of motor vehicles, meter checkers, and other duly authorized employees of a municipality employed to assist in the enforcement of parking regulations. “Enforcement officers” shall also include duly authorized employees of the department of motor vehicles for the purpose of issuing complaints related to their administrative duties, for

enforcement of nonmoving traffic violations enumerated in subdivisions 2302(a)(1), (2), (3) and (4) of this title, pursuant to 4 V.S.A. § 1105.

Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) Secs. 1 and 2 and this section shall take effect on passage.

(b) Secs. 3 and 4 of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

Approved: May 11, 2011