TIMELINE

New beer and wine laws

- > Senate Bill 837/ House Bill 610: New Tennessee law, passed in March, allowing the sale of wine in grocery stores and the sale of beer, snacks, paraphernalia and other items in liquor stores. The new law also expanded the state's ID laws, requiring now that liquor stores also card anyone purchasing alcoholic beverages.
- > **July 1, 2014:** Liquor and wine stores in Tennessee were allowed to put beer and malt beverages, assorted paraphernalia items (like bottle-openers) and some food items on store shelves. They were already allowed to sell high-gravity beers.
- > Aug. 21, 2014: Deadline to submit wine-in-grocery-stores petitions, placed in stores across the state in the effort to get 10 percent of 2010 gubernatorial voter numbers in their respective voting districts to put wine in grocery stores to a vote.
- > **Nov. 4, 2014:** Municipalities where wine-in-grocery-stores petitions reached required signatures will have a ballot item for voters to decide whether they want to approve the sale of wine in grocery stores.
- **July 1, 2016:** Where approved by voters, wine is allowed to go on sale in Tennessee grocery stores.