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### ARTICLE III. Possession and Consumption by Underaged Persons

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#### § 77-15. Prohibitions; penalties.

A. Any person under legal age to purchase alcoholic beverages who, without legal authority, knowingly possesses or knowingly consumes any alcoholic beverage in or on any school property, public conveyance, public place or place of public assembly or on private property shall be subject to a fine of \$250 for a first offense and \$350 for any subsequent offense; perform community service for a period not to exceed 180 days; at the discretion of the court, have a New Jersey driving privilege suspended or postponed for six months; and, if considered necessary by the court, be referred to an alcoholic treatment program at the defendant's expense.

#### § 77-16. Exemptions.

This article shall not apply to persons under the legal age to purchase alcoholic beverages who possess or consume alcoholic beverages in the presence of and with the permission of the parent, legal guardian or relative who has attained the legal age to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages or possess or consume alcoholic beverages in connection with a religious observance, ceremony, or rite. This article shall also not apply to possession of an alcoholic beverage by an underage person employed by an alcoholic beverage licensee in the course of performing employment duties or while actively engaged in the preparation of food while enrolled in a culinary arts or hotel management program at a county vocational school or post secondary educational institution.

#### § 77-17. Definitions.

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

##### GUARDIAN

A person who has qualified as a guardian of the underaged person pursuant to testamentary or court appointment.

##### RELATIVE

The underaged person's grandparent, aunt or uncle, sibling or any other person related by blood or affinity.

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