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## **DRAM SHOP LIABILITY LIMITS**

Section 6-21(a) of the Liquor Control Act of 1934 (235 ILCS 5/6-21(a)) requires the Comptroller to determine each year the liability limits for causes of action brought under the Act in accordance with the consumer price index-u (CPI-U) during the preceding 12-month calendar year.

### **2003 Dram Shop Liability Limits**

- For causes of action involving persons injured, killed, or incurring property damage on or after January 20, 2003, the judgment or recovery under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for injury to the person or property of any person shall not exceed \$50,467.11 for each person incurring damages; and
- For causes of action under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for either loss of means of support or loss of society resulting from the death or injury of any person on or after January 20, 2003, the judgment or recovery shall not exceed \$61,682.02.

### **2004 Dram Shop Liability Limits**

- For causes of action involving persons injured, killed, or incurring property damage on or after January 20, 2004, the judgment or recovery under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for injury to the person or property of any person shall not exceed \$51,415.89 for each person incurring damages; and
- For causes of action under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for either loss of means of support or loss of society resulting from the death or injury of any person on or

after January 20, 2004, the judgment or recovery shall not exceed \$62,841.64.

#### **2005 Dram Shop Liability Limits**

- For causes of action involving persons injured, killed, or incurring property damage on or after January 20, 2005, the judgment or recovery under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for injury to the person or property of any person shall not exceed \$53,092.05 for each person incurring damages; and
- For causes of action under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for either loss of means of support or loss of society resulting from the death or injury of any person on or after January 20, 2005, the judgment or recovery shall not exceed \$64,890.28.

#### **2006 Dram Shop Liability Limits**

- For causes of action involving persons injured, killed, or incurring property damage on or after January 20, 2006, the judgment or recovery under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for injury to the person or property of any person shall not exceed \$54,907.80 for each person incurring damages; and
- For causes of action under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for either loss of means of support or loss of society resulting from the death or injury of any person on or after January 20, 2006, the judgment or recovery shall not exceed \$67,109.53.

#### **2007 Dram Shop Liability Limits**

- For causes of action involving persons injured, killed, or incurring property damage on or after January 20, 2007, the judgment or recovery under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for injury to the person or property of any person shall not exceed \$56,302.45 for each person incurring damages; and
- For causes of action under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for either loss of means of support or loss of society

resulting from the death or injury of any person on or after January 20, 2007, the judgment or recovery shall not exceed \$68,814.11.

#### **2008 Dram Shop Liability Limits**

- For causes of action involving persons injured, killed, or incurring property damage on or after January 20, 2008, the judgment or recovery under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for injury to the person or property of any person shall not exceed \$58,599.59 for each person incurring damages; and
- For causes of action under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for either loss of means of support or loss of society resulting from the death or injury of any person on or after January 20, 2008, the judgment or recovery shall not exceed \$71,621.72.

#### **2009 Dram Shop Liability Limits**

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, the CPI-U increased .09% during the preceding calendar year. Based upon the previous determinations, the liability limits are adjusted as follows:

- For causes of action involving persons injured, killed, or incurring property damage on or after January 20, 2009, the judgment or recovery under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for injury to the person or property of any person shall not exceed \$58,652.33 for each person incurring damages; and
- For causes of action under the Liquor Control Act of 1934 for either loss of means of support or loss of society resulting from the death or injury of any person on or after January 20, 2009, the judgment or recovery shall not exceed \$71,686.18.