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Introduced by Representatives Emmons of Springfield, Dakin of Chester, and
Forguites of Springfield

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Crimes; public intoxication

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to prohibit a
person from being intoxicated in a public place if as a result of the intoxication
the person is: (1) unable to exercise care for his or her own safety or the safety
of others; or (2) interferes with, obstructs, or prevents the use of a street,
sidewalk, or other public way.

An act relating to establishing the crime of public intoxication

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

Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 1032 is added to read:

§ 1032. PUBLIC INTOXICATION

(a) A person shall not be in a public place while under the influence of
alcohol or drugs if as a result of being under the influence the person:

(1) is unable to exercise care for his or her own safety or the safety of
others; or

(b) A person who violates this section shall be fined not more than \$250.00.

§ 1029. ALCOHOLISM, LIMITATIONS, EXCEPTIONS

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This act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.