By: Geren (Senate Sponsor - Seliger) (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2015; May 6, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce: May 22 2015 reported forward forward for the forward 1-1 1-2 1-3 and Commerce; May 22, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.) 1-4 1-5

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COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Eltife	Х			
1-9	Creighton	Х			
1-10	Ellis	Х			
1-11	Huffines	Х			
1-12	Schwertner			Х	
1-13	Seliger	Х			
1-14	Taylor of Galveston	Х			
1-15	Watson	Х			
1-16	Whitmire	Х			

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-19 relating to the sale by package stores of containers of liquor with 1-20 a capacity of less than six fluid ounces. 1-21

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 1-23 SECTION 1. Section 101.46(a), Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-24 (a) Except as provided by Subsections (b), (c), and (d) [of 1-25 this section], no person may import, sell, or possess with intent to sell any liquor in a container with a capacity of less than 20 milliliters. A container of liquor offered for sale that has a capacity of less than six fluid ounces must substantially conform 1-26 1-27 1-28 1-29 to the labeling requirements of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and 1-30 Firearms for larger containers in which liquor is sold. Holders of 1-31 distiller's or rectifier's permits wishing to sell liquor bottled in containers of less than six fluid ounces to wholesalers must sell such containers of liquor to wholesalers in units of unbroken, 1-32 1-33 1-34 sealed cases. Wholesalers shall sell liquor bottled in containers of less than six fluid ounces to package stores in units of unbroken, sealed cases. [Containers of liquor with a capacity of 1-35 1-36 less than six fluid ounces offered for sale in a package store must 1-37 1-38 be sold in units of sealed packages featuring multiple bottles of 1-39 liquor.]

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-41 1-42 1-43 1-44 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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