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§60-1-1. Purpose of chapter; declaration of legislative findings, policy and intent.

The purpose of this chapter is to give effect to the mandate of the people expressed in the repeal of the state prohibition amendment; and it is hereby found by the Legislature and declared to be the public policy of this state to regulate and control the manufacture, sale, distribution, transportation, storage and consumption of alcoholic liquors and at the same time to assure the greatest degree of personal freedom consistent with the health, safety, welfare, peace and good morals of the people of this state. To these ends the police power of this state is pledged to the sound control and the temperate use of alcoholic liquors. In order to further promote and foster the hereinabove policy of the Legislature, the provisions of this chapter and of the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto shall be construed so as to accomplish and effectuate these stated purposes.