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ABC Suspends License of Ha Ha Sushi and Grill in San Luis Obispo

20 day suspension for the business after it allowed 16 minors to consume alcohol in the premises

San Luis Obispo- Agents of the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) have posted a Notice of Suspension at Ha Ha Sushi & Grill, located at 1065 Olive Street in the city of San Luis Obispo. The business is prohibited from serving or selling alcohol for 20 days and the license has been placed on probation for one year.

The suspension is the result of an investigation conducted by the ABC and the San Luis Obispo Police Department related to complaints received that the business was selling alcohol to minors, a violation of California Business and Professions Code Section 25658(a).

On May 13, 2016, undercover agents visited the premises and witnessed an employee serve alcohol to a large number of underage patrons without checking identification to verify their ages. Officers from the San Luis Obispo Police Department assisted ABC Agents in issuing 16 misdemeanor citations to the underage patrons for alcohol-related violations, as well as to the employee for furnishing alcohol to the minors.

Upon completion of the suspension, the ABC could move to permanently revoke the license if the licensee allows similar violations to occur at any time during the one-year probationary period.

ABC is a department of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

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