Information for OPSEU members in the Liquor Board Employees Division

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## Join the conversation on the future of alcohol retailing in Ontario

As you have heard in recent media reports there could be big changes coming to the way consumers in Ontario purchase wine and beer. Under the proposed changes, as many as 300 grocery stores across the province will be able to sell beer and wine.

Allowing grocery stores to sell beer and wine will have a big impact on the future of the LCBO and the work of OPSEU members. It's the latest example of how the Liberal government under Kathleen Wynne is aggressively pursuing the sale of public assets to the private sector.

We're here to answer your questions but we want to hear from you too.

With the support of the Liquor Board Employees Division (LBED), OPSEU is organizing three Telephone-Town Halls for LBED members. These Tele-Town Halls will **provide you** with the **opportunity to call in** and discuss what the proposed changes will mean to the LCBO and its employees. We'll talk about what we can do to fight back against these changes. In fact, OPSEU's executive board has already adopted a resolution to authorize a campaign to stop the expansion of beer and wine sales to the major grocery chains.

OPSEU President Smokey Thomas, LBED Chair Denise Davis, and Rick Woodall, chair of the antiprivatization committee, will be available to answer your questions.

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## Mark your calendars and join the conversation.

**Tuesday March 31 -** 7:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. **Wednesday April 1** - 10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. **Wednesday April 1** - 7:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

To listen in or ask questions, all you have to do is answer the phone when we call you a few minutes before or after the start time. If you miss the call or don't hear from us, please call into the discussion at: 1-877-229-8493 ID # 112847

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