

Dear ,

In the last two weeks, we have launched our 22nd ProCon.org website on the question of lowering the drinking age, completed a project about the history of alternative energy and fossil fuel use, and announced the winners of our 5-year anniversary contests among many other projects. Stay tuned and keep the great ideas, comments, referrals, and donations flowing. We appreciate them all.

Sincerely,
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1. [NEW ProCon.org Website! Should the drinking age be lowered from 21 to a younger age?](#)

The National Minimum Drinking Age Act of 1984 prompted states to raise their legal age for purchase or public possession of alcohol to 21 or risk losing millions in federal highway funds. In 47 of 50 states age 18 is the "age of majority," which generally means that 18, 19, and 20 year olds can vote, join the military, serve jury duty, sign contracts, apply for loans, and more. However, those same people (with some exceptions) are not allowed to drink.

Read all the facts, pros, and cons on our site, then take our [survey](#) and tell us what you think.

2. [Alternative Energy: History of Alternative Energy and Fossil Fuels \(2000 BC to 2009 AD\)](#)

Read about the major inventions and developments in the history of alternative energy and fossil fuels, from the first use of coal by the Chinese 4,000 years ago, to the first car to run on biodiesel in 1900, to the billions in US Recovery Act funds directed toward renewable energies like wind, solar, and biofuels in 2009.

3. [Winners of our five-year anniversary contests each won \\$100 in ProCon.org prize money](#)

See which readers won \$100 in our Wikipedia, Twitter, Facebook, and ProCon.org Scavenger Hunt contests. The winner of our Volunteers Contest will be announced August 12, 2009. Thank you to all the participants who helped make our Five-Year Anniversary Contests successful.

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