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H.B. No. 170

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the hours for public consumption of alcoholic  
3 beverages.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 105.06(a-1), (b), and (c), Alcoholic  
6 Beverage Code, are amended to read as follows:

7 (a-1) For the purposes of this section, a licensed,  
8 unlicensed, ~~[or]~~ permitted, or unpermitted premises is a public  
9 place.

10 (b) In a standard hours area, a person commits an offense if  
11 the person ~~[he]~~ consumes or possesses with intent to consume an  
12 alcoholic beverage in a public place at any time on Sunday between  
13 1:15 a.m. and 12 noon or on any other day between 12:15 a.m. and 7  
14 a.m.

15 (c) In an extended hours area, a person commits an offense  
16 if the person ~~[he]~~ consumes or possesses with intent to consume an  
17 alcoholic beverage in a public place at any time on Sunday between  
18 2:15 a.m. and 12 noon and on any other day between 2:15 a.m. and 7  
19 a.m.

20 SECTION 2. (a) Section 105.06, Alcoholic Beverage Code, as  
21 amended by this Act, applies only to an offense committed on or  
22 after the effective date of this Act. For the purposes of this  
23 section, an offense is committed before the effective date of this  
24 Act if any element of the offense occurs before that date.

1           (b) An offense committed before the effective date of this  
2 Act is covered by the law in effect immediately before the effective  
3 date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that  
4 purpose.

5           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.