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H.B. No. 1134

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to parity in the regulation of tobacco products among  
3 on-premise alcoholic beverage license and permit holders.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 109.57(a) of the Alcoholic Beverage Code  
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 (a) Except as is expressly authorized by this code, a  
8 regulation, charter, or ordinance promulgated by a governmental  
9 entity of this state may not impose stricter standards on premises  
10 or businesses required to have a license or permit under this code  
11 than are imposed on similar premises or businesses that are not  
12 required to have such a license or permit. Nor may a governmental  
13 entity of this state regulate tobacco use in a manner which  
14 differentiates between businesses required to have a license or  
15 permit for the on-premise sale or service of alcohol under this  
16 code.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.