1-1 S.B. No. 359 By: Shapiro 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Filed February 5, 2003; February 11, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce; 1-4 March 3, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, 1-5 Nays 0; March 3, 2003, sent to printer.)

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-8 relating to a local option election for the sale of beer and wine in certain cities or towns located in more than one county. 1-9

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

1-10 1-11 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 251.18, Alcoholic 1-12 Beverage Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-13 (a) This section applies only to an election to permit or 1-14 prohibit the legal sale of:

1**-**15 1**-**16 (1) mixed beverages by a food and beverage certificate holder in an incorporated city or town that is located in more than 1-17 one county; or

1-18 (2)beer and wine in an incorporated city or town that does not permit beer and wine sales in all or a portion of the city 1-19 1-20 1-21 or town on September 1, 2003 [2001], and is located in: (A) two counties:

(i) that each have a population of at least 400,000 [250,000] but not more than one million; and

1-24 (ii) one of which contains a city or town 1-25 with a population of 125,000 or more; or 1-26

three counties: (B)

1-27 1-28 than 300,000; and

that each have a population of not more (i)

1-29 (ii) one of which contains a city or town with a population of 20,000 or more. 1-30 1-31

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

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