

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 78TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 20, 2003**

**TO:** Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1199** by Krusee (Relating to local option elections for the sale of alcoholic beverages; providing a criminal penalty.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Alcoholic Beverage Code as it relates to the procedures for local option elections for the sale of alcoholic beverages, addressing requirements for petitions for an election, verification of the petition, contesting the election, and creating as a Class B misdemeanor the offense of misrepresenting the purpose or effect of a petition issued under Chapter 251, Alcoholic Beverage Code.

One section of the bill would address an application pending before May 1, 2003 for a permit to upgrade from the sale of beer and wine to the sale of mixed beverages. That section would expire on September 1, 2004.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2003 and would apply only to a local option election for which an application for a petition is filed on or after that date.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:**

**LBB Staff:** JK, SD, JRO, DLBa