By: Thompson H.B. No. 1959

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1959:

By: Kuempel C.S.H.B. No. 1959

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to appeal of the certification of an area's wet or dry

3 status.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 11.37, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is

6 amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

- 7 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, if the
- 8 county clerk, city secretary, or city clerk certifies that the
- 9 location or address given in the application is not in a wet area or
- 10 refuses to issue the certification required by this section, the
- 11 applicant is entitled to a hearing before the county judge to
- 12 contest the certification or refusal to certify. The applicant
- 13 <u>must submit a written request to the county judge for a hearing</u>
- 14 under this subsection. The county judge shall conduct a hearing
- 15 required by this subsection not later than the 30th day after the
- 16 date the county judge receives the written request.
- 17 SECTION 2. Section 61.37, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is
- 18 amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 19 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, if the
- 20 county clerk, city secretary, or city clerk certifies that the
- 21 location or address given in the application is not in a wet area or
- 22 refuses to issue the certification required by this section, the
- 23 applicant is entitled to a hearing before the county judge to
- 24 contest the certification or refusal to certify. The applicant

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- 2 under this subsection. The county judge shall conduct a hearing
- 3 required by this subsection not later than the 30th day after the
- 4 date the county judge receives the written request.
- 5 SECTION 3. Sections 11.37(d) and 61.37(d), Alcoholic
- 6 Beverage Code, as added by this Act, apply only to a certification
- 7 issued or a refusal to certify made by a county clerk, city
- 8 secretary, or city clerk on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.