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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the alcoholic beverage licenses and permits that may be issued in an area that has approved the sale of mixed beverages.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 25, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 25.14 to read as follows:

Sec. 25.14. ISSUANCE OF PERMIT AUTHORIZED FOR CERTAIN AREAS. Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, a permit under this chapter may be issued for a premises in an area in which the voters have approved each of the following alcoholic beverage ballot issues in a local option election:

(1) "The legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only."; and

(2) "The legal sale of mixed beverages."

SECTION 2. Chapter 69, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 69.17 to read as follows:

Sec. 69.17. ISSUANCE OF LICENSE AUTHORIZED FOR CERTAIN AREAS. Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, a license under this chapter may be issued for a premises in an area in which the voters have approved each of the following alcoholic beverage ballot issues in a local option election:

(1) "The legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only."; and

(2) "The legal sale of mixed beverages."

SECTION 3. Chapter 70, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 70.04 to read as follows:

Sec. 70.04. ISSUANCE OF LICENSE AUTHORIZED FOR CERTAIN AREAS. Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, a license under this chapter may be issued for a premises in an area in which the voters have approved each of the following alcoholic beverage ballot issues in a local option election:

(1) "The legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only."; and

(2) "The legal sale of mixed beverages."

SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply to a permit or license issued on or after the effective date of this Act regardless of when the local option election approving the sale of mixed beverages was held.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.