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S.B. No. 861

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring certain notices to be posted on the premises of certain alcoholic beverage retailers.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 11, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 11.043 to read as follows:

Sec. 11.043. DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED PENALTIES SIGN. (a)

The commission by rule shall require the holder of a permit authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption to display a sign in a prominent place on the permit holder's premises that informs the public of:

(1) the criminal penalties for a conviction of the offense of driving while intoxicated; and

(2) the average costs a person convicted of driving while intoxicated can expect to pay, including attorney's fees, criminal fines, court costs, bail, driver's license surcharges, and alcohol education course fees.

(b) The commission's rules shall specify the size and graphic design, including font size and type, and the language of the sign. The rules may require the permit holder to display the sign in a language other than English if the commission determines that a substantial portion of the expected customers of the establishment speak a language other than English.

SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 61, Alcoholic Beverage

1 Code, is amended by adding Section 61.112 to read as follows:

2 Sec. 61.112. DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED PENALTIES SIGN. (a)
3 The commission by rule shall require the holder of a license
4 authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises
5 consumption to display a sign in a prominent place on the license
6 holder's premises that informs the public of:

7 (1) the criminal penalties for a conviction of the
8 offense of driving while intoxicated; and

9 (2) the average costs a person convicted of driving
10 while intoxicated can expect to pay, including attorney's fees,
11 criminal fines, court costs, bail, driver's license surcharges, and
12 alcohol education course fees.

13 (b) The commission's rules shall specify the size and
14 graphic design, including font size and type, and the language of
15 the sign. The rules may require the license holder to display the
16 sign in a language other than English if the commission determines
17 that a substantial portion of the expected customers of the
18 establishment speak a language other than English.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.