

1-1 By: Nelson S.B. No. 680  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 20, 2015; February 24, 2015,  
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce;  
 1-4 March 23, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
 1-5 Nays 0; March 23, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages in areas annexed or  
 1-20 owned by certain municipalities.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 251.72, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is  
 1-23 amended to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 251.72. CHANGE OF STATUS. Except as provided in  
 1-25 Sections 251.725, 251.73, and 251.80, an authorized voting unit  
 1-26 that has exercised or may exercise the right of local option retains  
 1-27 the status adopted, whether absolute prohibition or legalization of  
 1-28 the sale of alcoholic beverages of one or more of the various types  
 1-29 and alcoholic contents on which an issue may be submitted under the  
 1-30 terms of Section 501.035, Election Code, until that status is  
 1-31 changed by a subsequent local option election in the same  
 1-32 authorized voting unit.

1-33 SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 251, Alcoholic Beverage  
 1-34 Code, is amended by adding Section 251.725 to read as follows:

1-35 Sec. 251.725. CHANGE OF STATUS FOR TERRITORY ANNEXED OR  
 1-36 OWNED BY CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES. (a) This section applies only to  
 1-37 a municipality that:

1-38 (1) is partially located in three counties, two of  
 1-39 which have a population of 1.8 million or more;

1-40 (2) is primarily located in a county with a population  
 1-41 of 1.8 million or more; and

1-42 (3) has within its boundaries all or part of an  
 1-43 international airport operated jointly by two municipalities.

1-44 (b) Notwithstanding any other law:

1-45 (1) an area annexed to a municipality to which this  
 1-46 section applies assumes the wet or dry status of that municipality;  
 1-47 and

1-48 (2) an area contiguous to and owned by a municipality  
 1-49 to which this section applies assumes the wet or dry status of that  
 1-50 municipality.

1-51 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies to an  
 1-52 area annexed or acquired by a municipality before, on, or after the  
 1-53 effective date of this Act.

1-54 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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