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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 2791 |
| By: Goldman |
| Licensing & Administrative Procedures |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE** There is concern regarding the clarity of the laws governing the purchase of an alcoholic beverage for personal consumption by a person who then transports the beverage from a place where its sale is legal to a place where its possession is legal without holding a license or permit. It has been suggested that the current statute does not adequately address questions associated with transporting alcohol from a "wet" county or area to a "dry" county or area. H.B. 2791 seeks to address this issue by clarifying that a person who purchases an alcoholic beverage for the person's own consumption may personally transport the beverage with regard to certain places.  |
| **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision. |
| **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY** It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution. |
| **ANALYSIS** H.B. 2791 amends the Alcoholic Beverage Code to clarify that the authorization for a person who purchases an alcoholic beverage for the person's own consumption to transport the beverage from a place where its sale is legal to a place where its possession is legal without holding a license or permit is such an authorization for the person to personally transport the beverage. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE** September 1, 2019. |