By: Beckley H.B. No. 3136

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to allowing the governing bodies of certain political
- 3 subdivisions to call for a local option election relating to the
- 4 sale of alcoholic beverages.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 501, Election Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 501.0211 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 501.0211. ELECTION CALLED BY GOVERNING BODY OF
- 9 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION. (a) The commissioners court of a county
- 10 may, on the commissioners court's own motion, order a local option
- 11 election in the county or a justice precinct in the county to
- 12 determine whether the sale of alcoholic beverages of one or more of
- 13 the various types and alcoholic contents shall be prohibited or
- 14 legalized in the county or the justice precinct.
- 15 (b) The governing body of a municipality may, by resolution,
- 16 order a local option election to be held in the municipality to
- 17 determine whether the sale of alcoholic beverages of one or more of
- 18 the various types and alcoholic contents shall be prohibited or
- 19 <u>legalized in the municipality.</u>
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.