

# SENATE AMENDMENTS

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By: Gerdes

H.B. No. 2885

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 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.

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) This section applies only to a county:

10 (1) with a population of more than 70,000 and less than  
11 100,000;

12 (2) that contains a portion of the Colorado River; and

13 (3) that is adjacent to a county with a population of  
14 one million or more.

15 (b) The commissioners court of a county may, on the  
16 commissioners court's own motion, order a local option election in  
17 the county or a justice precinct in the county to determine whether  
18 the sale of alcoholic beverages of one or more of the various types  
19 and alcoholic contents shall be legalized in the county or the  
20 justice precinct.

21 (c) The governing body of a municipality may, by resolution,  
22 order a local option election to be held in the municipality to  
23 determine whether the sale of alcoholic beverages of one or more of  
24 the various types and alcoholic contents shall be legalized in the

1 municipality.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

# ADOPTED

MAY 26 2025

*Lately Saw*  
Secretary of the Senate

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. 1

BY:

1 Amend H.B. No. 2885 (senate committee report) in SECTION 1 of  
2 the bill, by striking added Section 501.0211(a), Election Code  
3 (page 1, lines 28 through 33), and substituting the following:

4 (a) This section applies only to:

5 (1) a county:

6 (A) with a population of more than 70,000 and  
7 less than 100,000;

8 (B) that contains a portion of the Colorado  
9 River; and

10 (C) that is adjacent to a county with a  
11 population of one million or more; and

12 (2) a municipality:

13 (A) with a population of 240,000 or more;

14 (B) that is located in two or more counties; and

15 (C) that borders a man-made lake that has a  
16 surface area of at least 20,000 acres.

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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 27, 2025**

**TO:** Honorable Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2885** by Gerdes (Relating to allowing the governing bodies of certain political subdivisions to call for a local option election relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 458 Alcoholic Beverage Commission

**LBB Staff:** JMc, WP, Tuf, BC, CWi

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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 14, 2025**

**TO:** Honorable Bryan Hughes, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2885** by Gerdes (Relating to allowing the governing bodies of certain political subdivisions to call for a local option election relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages.), **As Engrossed**

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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 4, 2025**

**TO:** Honorable Dade Phelan, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB2885** by Gerdes (Relating to allowing the governing bodies of certain political subdivisions to call for a local option election relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages.), **As Introduced**

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