HOUSE BILL 1672

By Freeman

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 3; Title 57, Chapter 4 and Title 57, Chapter 5, relative to hours of sale.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-203(d), is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

(7) In addition to the authority of the commission under subdivision (d)(5) and a county legislative body under § 57-5-301(b)(1), the governing body of a jurisdiction that has authorized the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises or that has one (1) or more entities within its jurisdiction with a license to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises may, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the governing body, adopt an ordinance or resolution authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages and beer on Sundays during the same hours in which alcoholic beverages may be sold on weekdays. The governing body may repeal such ordinance or resolution in the same manner in which it was adopted in accordance with this subdivision (d)(7).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-203(d), is amended by deleting the language "Except as provided in subdivision (d)(5)" wherever it appears and substituting "Except as provided in subdivisions (d)(5) and (7)".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-5-301(b)(5)(A), is amended by deleting the last sentence of the subdivision and substituting:

Except as provided in § 57-4-203(d)(7), this subdivision (b)(5)(A) does not apply to counties and municipalities that have legalized the sale of liquor by the drink by a countywide referendum.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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