

HOUSE BILL 2551

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,
Chapter 10 and Title 57, relative to motor vehicle
accidents involving alcohol.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-120, is amended by adding
the following as a new subsection:

(c) A law enforcement officer investigating a motor vehicle accident resulting in
the death of a person, and having probable cause to believe that an operator of a motor
vehicle involved in the accident was driving under the influence of alcohol, shall
investigate whether the operator was served alcoholic beverages or beer at an
establishment licensed to sell alcoholic beverages or beer for on-premises consumption.
The alcoholic beverage commission must be notified of the investigation and its result.
Notwithstanding title 57, a licensed establishment determined to have contributed to the
operator of the motor vehicle being under the influence of alcohol through a violation of
state law shall be subject to suspension or revocation of its license for a period of not
less than one (1) year.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.