

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 412

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A RESOLUTION to create a special joint committee to study the economic and regulatory impact of broadening the number and types of establishments involved with and related to the retail sale of wine and alcoholic beverages.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that there is hereby created a special joint committee to study the economic and regulatory impact of broadening the number and types of establishments involved with and related to the sale of wine and alcoholic beverages.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the special joint committee shall perform a comprehensive review of Tennessee's statutes, rules and regulations governing the current statutory and regulatory structure concerning the retail sale of wine. The study shall include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Addressing the economic concerns of those businesses currently authorized to sell alcoholic beverages and wine at retail and those expressing their desire to be authorized to sell wine at retail, including establishing a fair method of determining the types of products which may be sold at any establishment where wine is authorized to be sold;
- (2) The expanded role of the Alcoholic Beverage Commission in regulating establishments where wine is sold if the number and types of establishments authorized to sell wine are expanded;
- (3) The types of controls which would need to be implemented if the number and types of establishments authorized to sell wine are expanded to ensure that sales to

minors would not occur and that the current restrictions related to Sunday and Holiday retail sales of wine would continue;

(4) Addressing the concerns of Tennessee citizens related to the purchase of food and wine at the same establishment; and

(5) Any other related issues concerning the retail sale of wine and alcoholic beverages.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee shall consist of three (3) members of the State and Local Government Committee of the House of Representatives and three (3) members of the State and Local Government Committee of the Senate, to specifically include the chairs of the respective committees, and the remaining members to be appointed by the respective speakers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the General Assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the General Assembly, and at its first meeting shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the special joint committee shall complete its study, together with any proposed legislation which may be recommended for introduction in the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly no later than July 1, 2010, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.