

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

May 7, 2024
Date

Committee on Finance.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB24-231 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 7, strike lines 20 through 24 and substitute
2 "PREMISES IS LOCATED on state-owned property. A LOCAL LICENSING
3 AUTHORITY MAY deny the issuance of any new tavern or retail liquor store
4 license whenever such authority determines that the issuance of the
5 license would result in or add to an undue concentration of the same class
6 of license and, as a result, require the use of additional law enforcement
7 resources."

8 Page 14, strike lines 15 through 23 and substitute:

9 "(3) (a) A PERSON LICENSED SOLELY BY THE STATE LICENSING
10 AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 3 OR ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE 44
11 AND IN GOOD STANDING WITH THE STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY MAY FILE
12 AN APPLICATION WITH THE STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY TO RENEW THE
13 LICENSE FOR A TWO-YEAR PERIOD. A PERSON LICENSED BY BOTH THE
14 STATE AND LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITIES PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 3
15 OR ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE 44 AND IN GOOD STANDING WITH BOTH THE
16 STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY AND A LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY MAY
17 FILE AN APPLICATION AS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION
18 TO RENEW THE LICENSE FOR A TWO-YEAR PERIOD."

19 Page 15, after line 4 insert:

20 "(c) THIS SUBSECTION (3) APPLIES TO LICENSES ISSUED BY A LOCAL
21 LICENSING AUTHORITY ONLY IF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY,
22 CITY AND COUNTY, OR MUNICIPALITY WITH JURISDICTION OVER THE LOCAL
23 LICENSING AUTHORITY ADOPTS AN ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION
24 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BIENNIAL LICENSES."

1 Reletter succeeding paragraph accordingly.

2 Page 34, strike line 21 and substitute "**shipping - rules - notice to revisor**
3 **of statutes.** (1) THE STATE LICENSING".

4 Page 35, after line 9 insert:

5 "(5) THIS SECTION TAKES EFFECT IF THE STATE LICENSING
6 AUTHORITY DETERMINES THAT THE LIQUOR ENFORCEMENT DIVISION HAS
7 SUFFICIENT LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND
8 ENFORCEMENT OF THIS SECTION. THE STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY SHALL
9 NOTIFY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES IN WRITING OF THE DATE WHEN THE
10 CONDITION SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (5) HAS OCCURRED BY
11 E-MAILING THE NOTICE TO REVISOROFSTATUTES.GA@COLEG.GOV. THIS
12 SECTION TAKES EFFECT UPON THE DATE IDENTIFIED IN THE NOTICE THAT
13 THE LIQUOR ENFORCEMENT DIVISION HAS SUFFICIENT LEGALLY AVAILABLE
14 FUNDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS SECTION
15 OR, IF THE NOTICE DOES NOT SPECIFY THAT DATE, UPON THE DATE OF THE
16 NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES."

17 Page 35, strike line 11 and substitute "- **fees - rules - notice to revisor of**
18 **statutes.** (1) THE STATE LICENSING".

19 Page 36, after line 14 insert:

20 "(6) THIS SECTION TAKES EFFECT IF THE STATE LICENSING
21 AUTHORITY DETERMINES THAT THE LIQUOR ENFORCEMENT DIVISION HAS
22 SUFFICIENT LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND
23 ENFORCEMENT OF THIS SECTION. THE STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY SHALL
24 NOTIFY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES IN WRITING OF THE DATE WHEN THE
25 CONDITION SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (6) HAS OCCURRED BY
26 E-MAILING THE NOTICE TO REVISOROFSTATUTES.GA@COLEG.GOV. THIS
27 SECTION TAKES EFFECT UPON THE DATE IDENTIFIED IN THE NOTICE THAT
28 THE LIQUOR ENFORCEMENT DIVISION HAS SUFFICIENT LEGALLY AVAILABLE
29 FUNDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS SECTION
30 OR, IF THE NOTICE DOES NOT SPECIFY THAT DATE, UPON THE DATE OF THE
31 NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES."

32 Page 36, strike lines 15 and 16 and substitute:

33 "**44-3-432. Lodging facility license - rules.** (1) A LODGING
34 FACILITY LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED TO A".

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