



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 874

HOUSE BILL NO. 1276

By Representatives Durham, Sargent, Lamberth, Casada

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 913

By Senators Johnson, Kelsey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 4, relative to the selling of alcoholic beverages and beer for consumption on the premises in certain theaters.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102(37), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(C) "Theater" also means an establishment in which motion pictures are exhibited to the public regularly for a charge. The theater shall have a local beer permit for on-premises consumption. The theater shall regularly serve prepared food to patrons and each auditorium in which alcoholic beverages may be consumed shall allow dining at each seat in the auditorium. Prior to making a sale of any alcoholic beverage, a valid, government-issued document, such as a driver license or other form of identification deemed acceptable to the license holder that includes a photograph and date of birth of the adult consumer attempting to make the purchase, shall be produced to the licensee. The theater shall also periodically visually monitor all auditoriums in which alcoholic beverages are permitted and each beverage containing an alcoholic beverage shall be distinct from any other container used to serve nonalcoholic beverages.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-101(a)(16), is amended by deleting the following language:

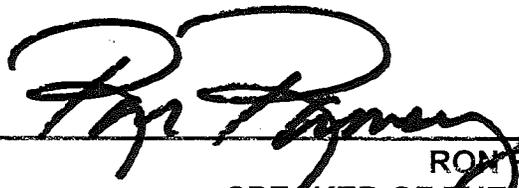
. Such alcoholic beverages, wine and beer shall only be sold on such premises in the area accessible only to persons twenty-one (21) years of age or older

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 11, 2016


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 27th day of April 2016


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR