

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB2842

Introduced 2/22/2005, by Rep. Tom Cross

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

235 ILCS 5/9-2

from Ch. 43, par. 167

Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning referenda on retail sales of alcoholic liquor.

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AN ACT concerning liquor.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Liquor Control Act of 1934 is amended by
changing Section 9-2 as follows:

6 (235 ILCS 5/9-2) (from Ch. 43, par. 167)

7 Sec. 9-2. When any legal voters of a precinct in any city, village or incorporated town of more than 200,000 inhabitants, 8 as determined by the the last preceding Federal census, desire 9 to pass upon the question of whether the sale at retail of 10 alcoholic liquor shall be prohibited in the precinct or at a 11 particular street address within the precinct, they shall, at 12 least 90 days before an election, file in the office of the 13 14 clerk of such city, village or incorporated town, a petition 15 directed to the clerk, containing the signatures of not less than 25% of the legal voters registered with the board of 16 17 election commissioners or county clerk, as the case may be, from the precinct. Provided, however, that when the petition 18 19 seeks to prohibit the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor at a 20 particular street address of a licensed establishment within the precinct the petition shall contain the signatures of not 21 22 less than 40% of the legal voters requested from that precinct. 23 The petition shall request that the proposition "Shall the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor be prohibited in (or at)?" 24 25 be submitted to the voters of the precinct at the next ensuing 26 election at which such proposition may be voted upon. The submission of the question to the voters of such precinct at 27 28 such election shall be mandatory when the petition has been filed in proper form with the clerk. If more than one set of 29 30 petitions are presented to the clerk for submission at the same the petition presented first shall be 31 election, given preference; however, the clerk shall provisionally accept any 32

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1 other set of petitions setting forth the same (or substantially 2 the same) proposition. If the first set of petitions for a proposition is found to be in proper form and is not found to 3 be invalid, it shall be accepted by the clerk and all 4 5 provisionally accepted sets of petitions setting forth the same 6 (or substantially the same) proposition shall be rejected by the clerk. If the first set of petitions for a proposition is 7 found not to be in proper form or is found to be invalid, the 8 9 clerk shall (i) reject the first set of petitions, (ii) accept 10 the first provisionally accepted set of petitions that is in 11 proper form and is not found to be invalid, and (iii) reject 12 all other provisionally accepted sets of petitions setting 13 forth the same (or substantially the same) proposition. Notice of the filing of the petition and the result of the election 14 15 shall be given to the Secretary of State at his offices in 16 both, Chicago and Springfield, Illinois. A return of the result 17 of the election shall be made to the clerk of the city, village or incorporated town in which the precinct is located. If a 18 19 majority of the voters voting upon such proposition vote "YES", 20 the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor shall be prohibited in the precinct or at the street address. If the sale at retail of 21 alcoholic liquor at a particular street address is prohibited 22 23 pursuant to this Section, the license for any establishment at that street address shall be void, and no person may apply for 24 a license for the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor at an 25 26 establishment at that street address unless such prohibition is 27 discontinued pursuant to Section 9-10.

28 In cities, villages and incorporated towns of 200,000 or 29 less population, as determined by the last preceding Federal 30 census, the vote upon the question of prohibiting the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor, or alcoholic liquor other than beer 31 32 containing not more than 4% of alcohol by volume, or alcoholic liquor containing more than 4% of alcohol by weight in the 33 34 original package and not for consumption on the premises, shall 35 be by the voters of the political subdivision as a unit. When any legal voters of such a city, village or incorporated town 36

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1 desire to pass upon the question of whether the sale at retail 2 of alcoholic liquor shall be prohibited in the municipality, 3 they shall, at least 90 days before an election, file in the office of the clerk of the municipality, a petition directed to 4 5 the clerk, containing the signatures of not less than 25% of 6 legal voters registered with the board of election the 7 commissioners or county clerk, as the case may be, from the municipality. The petition shall request that the proposition, 8 9 "Shall the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor be prohibited in....?" be submitted to the voters of the municipality at the 10 11 next ensuing election at which the proposition may be voted 12 upon. The submission of the question to the voters of the 13 municipality at such election shall be mandatory when the petition has been filed in proper form with the clerk. If more 14 15 than one set of petitions are presented to the clerk for 16 submission at the same election, setting forth the same or 17 different propositions, the petition presented first shall be given preference and the clerk shall refuse to accept any other 18 19 set of petitions. Notice of the filing of the petition and the 20 result of the election shall be given to the Secretary of State at his offices in both Chicago and Springfield, Illinois. A 21 return of the result of the election shall be made to the clerk 22 23 of the city, village or incorporated town. If a majority of the voters voting upon the proposition vote "Yes", the sale at 24 25 retail of alcoholic liquor shall be prohibited in the 26 municipality.

27 In the event a municipality does not vote to prohibit the 28 sale at retail of alcoholic liquor, the council or governing 29 body shall ascertain and determine what portions of the 30 municipality are predominantly residence districts. No license 31 permitting the sale of alcoholic liquors shall be issued by the 32 local liquor commissioner or licensing officer permitting the sale of alcoholic liquors at any place within the residence 33 district so determined, unless the owner or owners of at least 34 two-thirds of the frontage, 200 feet in each direction along 35 36 the street and streets adjacent to the place of business for - 4 - LRB094 03946 LJB 33961 b

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1 which a license is sought, file with the local liquor 2 commissioner or licensing officer, his or their written consent 3 to the use of such place for the sale of alcoholic liquors.

In each township or road district lying outside the 4 5 corporate limits of a city, village or incorporated town, or in 6 a part of a township or road district lying partly within and partly outside a city, village or incorporated town, the vote 7 of such township, road district or part thereof, shall be as a 8 9 unit. When any legal voters of any such township, or part thereof, in counties under township organization, or any legal 10 11 voters of such road district or part thereof, in counties not 12 under township organization, desire to vote upon the 13 proposition as to whether the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor shall be prohibited in such township or road district or 14 15 part thereof, they shall, at least 90 days before an election, 16 file in the office of the township or road district clerk, of 17 the township or road district within which the election is to be held, a petition directed to the clerk and containing the 18 19 signatures of not less than 25% of the legal voters registered 20 with the county clerk from such township or road district or part thereof. The submission of the question to the voters of 21 the township, road district or part thereof, at the next 22 23 ensuing election shall be mandatory when the petition has been 24 filed in proper form with the clerk. If more than one set of petitions are presented to the clerk for submission at the same 25 26 election, setting forth the same or different propositions, the 27 petition presented first shall be given preference and the 28 clerk shall refuse to accept any other set of petitions. A 29 return of the result of such election shall be made to the 30 clerk of the township or road district in which the territory 31 is situated, and shall also be made to the Secretary of State 32 at his offices in both Chicago and Springfield, Illinois.

33 (Source: P.A. 88-613, eff. 1-1-95.)