CHAPTER 103

S.B. No. 297

An Act relating to the service of alcoholic beverages by a private club in a hotel; amending Subsection (c), Section 32.10, Alcoholic Beverage Code.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 32.10, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(c) The manager of a hotel who is a member of a private club located within the hotel building may issue a guest card to a patron of the hotel who is staying in the hotel overnight or longer. The holder of the guest card may be served alcoholic beverages in the club or the holder's hotel room. The guest may not be allowed to pay, by cash or otherwise, at the time of service in the private club. The charge for service shall be billed to the hotel manager's account in the hotel and shall be collected by the hotel manager along with other hotel charges, including the charge for using the hotel room, when the patron leaves the hotel. The hotel records shall be available for inspection at the request of the commission. If the club operates under the locker system a guest shall be served from the locker rented to the manager of the hotel."

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1985.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed the Senate on March 6, 1985, by a viva-voce vote; passed the House on May 1, 1985, by a non-record vote.

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