CHAPTER 649

H.B. No. 2088

AN ACT

relating to the authority of a winery to give away promotional bottles of wine.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 102, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 102.19 to read as follows:

Sec. 102.19. PROMOTIONAL GIFT WINE. A holder of a winery permit may give one or more unopened bottles of Texas-made wine produced or bottled by the winery to a person 21 years of age or older on the premises of a convention center or civic center that holds a mixed beverage permit if no charge is made by the winery or by the mixed beverage permittee for the wine. A recipient of a bottle of wine under this section must take the unopened gift bottle off the premises of the mixed beverage permittee.

SECTION 2. 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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on May 7, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 26, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 12, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.