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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 61‑6‑120, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO A PERMIT ISSUED FOR ON‑PREMISES CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR IN PROXIMITY TO A CHURCH, SCHOOL, OR PLAYGROUND, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DECISION‑MAKING BODY OF THE LOCAL SCHOOL MUST AFFIRMATIVELY STATE THAT IT DOES NOT OBJECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE.

Amend Title To Conform

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 61-6-120(A)(2) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 253 of 2014, is further amended to read:

“(2) ‘school’, an establishment, other than a private dwelling, where the usual processes of education are usually conducted; and”

SECTION 2. Section 61‑6‑120(C) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 253 of 2014, is further amended to read:

“(C)(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (A), the department may issue a license ~~so long as the provisions of subsection (A) are met in regards to schools, and~~ so long as any ~~playground or~~ church, school, or playground located within the parameters affirmatively states that it does not object to the issuance of a license. This subsection only applies to a permit for on‑premises consumption of alcoholic liquor.

(2)(a) Any applicant seeking to utilize the provisions of this subsection must provide a statement declaring the church, playground, or school does not object to the issuance of the specific license sought, as follows: ~~from the decision‑making body of the owner of the playground or~~

(i) if a church, from the decision‑making body of the local church,

(ii) if a playground, from the decision-making body of the owner of the playground,

(iii) if a school, from the local school district board of trustees of the local public school, governing board of the charter school, or governing authority of the private school ~~stating that it does not object to the issuance of the specific license sought~~.

(b) If more than one ~~playground or~~ church, school, or playground is located within the parameters set forth in subsection (A), the applicant must provide the statement from all ~~playgrounds and~~ churches, schools, or playgrounds.

(c) At the time of any renewal period for the specific license, a school, from the local school district board of trustees of the local public school, governing board of the charter school, or governing authority of the private school, may withdraw its statement declaring it does not object to the issuance of the specific license sought by notifying the department of its withdrawal.

(3) The department may promulgate regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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