

House Bill 1232

By: Representatives Reeves of the 99th, McCollum of the 30th, Powell of the 33rd, Washburn of the 144th, Tran of the 80th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages,
2 so as to authorize local governing authorities to allow Sunday sales at wine bars or wine
3 shops; to provide a definition; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to
4 provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Sunday Wine Bar and Wine Shop Act."

8 **SECTION 2.**

9 Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, is
10 amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 3-3-7, relating to local authorization
11 and regulation of sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday, to read as follows:

12 "(s)(1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, in all counties or municipalities in
13 which the sale of wine is lawful on Sundays, the governing authority of the county or
14 municipality, as appropriate, may by adoption of a resolution or an ordinance authorize
15 the sale of wine by a wine bar or wine shop on Sundays at all times that sales of wine by

16 any other retailers are lawful on Sundays within the county or municipality in which the
17 wine bar or wine shop is located.

18 (2) As used in this subsection, the term 'wine bar' or 'wine shop' means any premises at
19 which a retailer licensed to sell wine pursuant to this title sells wine but not any other
20 alcoholic beverages."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
23 without such approval.

24 **SECTION 3.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.