

SENATE BILL 814

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102, relative to consumption of alcoholic beverages in hotels.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102(20), is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

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(i) "Hotel" also includes a facility that possesses the following characteristics:

(a) Is located in a building on which construction began prior to 1940;

(b) Is located approximately twenty-two (22) miles south of Interstate 40 on U.S. Highway 412;

(c) Is fronted on the north side by U.S. Highway 412 and is less than one (1) mile from a scenic river as defined in title 11, chapter 13;

(d) Has at least twelve (12) rooms for guest sleeping accommodations;

(e) Has a separate room for conferences or meetings;

(f) Has at least a forty-seat dining area that has been approved by the local health department and that serves meals at least four (4) days a week, with exceptions of closures for private groups or events, seasonal closures, vacations, and periods of general maintenance or remodeling by the owners;

(g) Does not discriminate against any patron on the basis of age, gender, race, religion, or national origin; and

(h) Is located in any county having a population of not less than seven thousand nine hundred one (7,901) nor more than eight thousand (8,000) according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census;

(ii) A hotel under this subdivision (20)(I) must comply with all the requirements of this chapter and shall be subject to the restrictions imposed upon licenses other than § 57-4-103;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.