

Senate Bill 385

By: Senators Balfour of the 9th, Powell of the 23rd, Grant of the 25th, Thompson of the 33rd, Murphy of the 27th and others

AS PASSED SENATE

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages by public carriers and nonprofit organizations, so
3 as to provide for the licensing of limousine carriers to sell alcoholic beverages; to provide
4 for annual applications and fees; to provide for a sticker for each vehicle authorized; to
5 provide for limitations on such annual permit; to provide for compliance with law regarding
6 furnishing alcoholic beverages to minors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting
7 laws; and for other purposes.

8 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
11 sale of alcoholic beverages by public carriers and nonprofit organizations, is amended by
12 adding a new Code Section 3-9-4 to read as follows:

13 "3-9-4.

14 (a) Notwithstanding any provision contained in this title or any other law, the
15 commissioner may issue an annual permit authorizing a limousine carrier to sell alcoholic
16 beverages for consumption only in the vehicle supplied by the limousine carrier upon the
17 filing of an application and payment of a fee of \$50.00 by such limousine carrier that holds
18 a certificate issued in accordance with Article 3 of Chapter 7 of Title 46. In addition to the
19 permit fee, the limousine carrier shall pay an annual fee of \$15.00 for each vehicle to be
20 authorized for the sale of alcoholic beverages. The commissioner shall issue a sticker for
21 each vehicle so authorized.

22 (b) A permit issued in accordance with this Code section shall not authorize the wholesale
23 purchase of alcoholic beverages by a limousine carrier and only authorizes purchase from
24 a retail dealer. A permit issued in accordance with this Code section shall be subject to any
25 law regulating the time for selling such beverages.

1 (c) A permit issued in accordance with this Code section shall not authorize a limousine
2 carrier to purchase or sell an alcoholic beverage in a location where the sale of such
3 alcoholic beverage is unlawful.

4 (d) Limousine carriers holding permits issued in accordance with this Code section shall
5 comply with the provisions of paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 3-3-23."

6 **SECTION 2.**

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