

Senate Bill 68

By: Senators Murphy of the 27th, Harp of the 29th, Golden of the 8th, Grant of the 25th,
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 3-3-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales
2 of alcoholic beverages near churches, school buildings, or other sites, so as to provide that
3 counties and municipalities may by resolution or ordinance provide an exception from the
4 prohibition against the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises within
5 100 yards of any housing authority property; to provide for related matters; to provide an
6 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 3-3-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales of alcoholic
10 beverages near churches, school buildings, or other sites, is amended by revising
11 subsection (e) as follows:

12 "(e)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'housing authority property' means any
13 property containing 300 housing units or fewer owned or operated by a housing authority
14 created by Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8, the 'Housing Authorities Law.'

15 (2) No person knowingly and intentionally may sell any alcoholic beverages for
16 consumption on the premises within 100 yards of any housing authority property;
17 provided, however, that counties and municipalities are authorized by resolution or
18 ordinance to exempt such counties and municipalities from the application of this
19 subsection and provide for such sales. This subsection shall not apply at any location for
20 which a license has been issued prior to July 1, 2000, nor to the renewal of such license.
21 Nor shall this subsection apply at any location for which a new license is applied for if
22 the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises was lawful at such
23 location at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding such application."

24 **SECTION 2.**

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

27 **SECTION 3.**

28 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.