

Senate Bill 103

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Watson of the 1st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 3-3-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local
2 authorization and regulation of sales of alcoholic beverages on Sunday, so as to allow for
3 local authorization and regulation of the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the
4 premises on one Sunday during the calendar year; to provide for related matters; to provide
5 for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 3-3-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization
9 and regulation of sales of alcoholic beverages on Sunday, is amended by revising
10 subsection (r) as follows:

11 "(r) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, in all counties or municipalities in which
12 the sale of alcoholic beverages is lawful for consumption on the premises, the governing
13 authority of the county or municipality, as appropriate, may by adoption of a resolution or
14 ordinance authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises from
15 12:30 P.M. until 12:00 Midnight on any one Sunday which occurs during the St. Patrick's
16 Day holiday period during each calendar year that shall be designated in such resolution
17 or ordinance. Any sales for consumption on the premises made pursuant to this subsection
18 shall be subject to such terms and conditions as may be required by the governing authority
19 of the county or municipality. ~~As used in this subsection, the term 'St. Patrick's Day holiday~~
20 ~~period' means March 16 through March 18 of each year."~~

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25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.