

HOUSE BILL 33
By Lewis

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 4, relative to the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises of certain veterans' organizations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-101, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

() It is lawful to sell wine and other alcoholic beverages as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-101, and beer as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-6-102, to be consumed on the premises of any veterans' organization to those in attendance on the premises of the veterans' organization, provided that such premises are located within the boundaries of a political subdivision that has authorized the sale of liquor by the drink pursuant to this chapter, and subject to the further provisions of this chapter other than Section 57-4-103. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter to the contrary, a veterans' organization is not required to obtain any license or permit in connection with the sale of such beer, wine or other alcoholic beverages for consumption on its premises, but the veterans' organization shall comply with all laws, rules and regulations applicable to any licensee under this chapter and may be required by the commission to submit, under oath, the information required to be provided by applicants in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-201(d).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102, is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

() "Veterans' organization" means any war-time era veterans' organization operating in this state and which has received a determination of exemption from the internal revenue service under the Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)(4) (26 U.S.C. §501(c)(4)) and which is chartered by the United States Congress.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999, the public welfare requiring it.