

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 32

BY REPRESENTATIVES ZERINGUE AND MAGEE

GOVERNMENTAL REGULATIONS: Provides for the operation of restaurants and bars during a declared emergency or disaster (Items #32, 35, and 60)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 29:732.1 and 776, relative to the operation of restaurants and establishments
3 selling alcoholic beverages during a state of emergency or public health emergency;
4 to require that restaurants and establishments selling alcoholic beverages be subject
5 to uniform restrictions; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 29:732.1 and 776 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §732.1. Operation of restaurants and establishments selling alcoholic beverages

9 During a state of emergency as declared by the governor or the parish
10 president pursuant to this Chapter, restaurants and establishments permitted pursuant
11 to Title 26 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 to sell alcoholic beverages on
12 the premises for consumption on the premises shall be subject to uniform
13 restrictions, if any, including restrictions on occupancy and operation.

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15 §776. Operation of restaurants and establishments selling alcoholic beverages

16 R.S. 29:732.1 shall apply to this Chapter.

17 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
18 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
19 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

- 1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.
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DIGEST

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HB 32 Engrossed

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Abstract: Requires that during a declared state of emergency or public health emergency, restaurants and establishments selling alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises be subject to uniform restrictions, if any.

Present law authorizes the governor or a parish president to declare a state of emergency pursuant to the La. Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act.

Present law authorizes the governor to declare a state of public health emergency pursuant to the La. Health Emergency Powers Act.

Proposed law provides that during a state of emergency as declared by the governor or the parish president or during a public health emergency restaurants and establishments selling alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises shall be subject to uniform restrictions, if any, including restrictions on occupancy and operation.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 29:732.1 and 776)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the original bill:

1. Make proposed law applicable to establishments selling alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises rather than to bars.