

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 481

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 26:81.1 and 281.1, relative to limitations of the issuance of certain alcohol
3 beverage permits; to prohibit the issuance of alcoholic beverage permits in certain
4 areas; to provide for a temporary moratorium; to provide for an effective date; to
5 provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

6 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
8 Louisiana.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 26:81.1 and 281.1 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §81.1. Limitation on issuance of permits

12 A. Beginning on August 1, 2025, and ending on December 31, 2026, no
13 permits for the sale of alcoholic beverages under this Chapter shall be granted within
14 the boundaries of District 3 of the Louisiana House of Representatives.

15 B. The provisions of this Section shall apply only to a licensed premises of
16 a Class B or Class C permit that contains less than five thousand square feet of public
17 habitable floor area.

18 C. Any valid permits existing on August 1, 2025, may continue and be
19 renewed if the permit holder remains in compliance with all other provisions of law
20 and local ordinances. A permit holder shall not be issued permits for additional
21 locations within the boundaries of District 3 of the Louisiana House of
22 Representatives. However, if any such permit holder ceases to operate as a business

1 or if any such permit holder fails to maintain a valid permit for any reason and for
2 any period of time, the permit holder shall not be entitled to a renewal of the permit.

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4 §281.1. Limitation on issuance of permits

5 A. Beginning on August 1, 2025, and ending on December 31, 2026, no
6 permits for the sale of alcoholic beverages under this Chapter shall be granted within
7 the boundaries of District 3 of the Louisiana House of Representatives.

8 B. The provisions of this Section shall apply only to a licensed premises of
9 a Class B or Class C permit that contains less than five thousand square feet of public
10 habitable floor area.

11 C. Any valid permits existing on August 1, 2025, may continue and be
12 renewed if the permit holder remains in compliance with all other provisions of law
13 and local ordinances. A permit holder shall not be issued permits for additional
14 locations within the boundaries of District 3 of the Louisiana House of
15 Representatives. However, if any such permit holder ceases to operate as a business
16 or if any such permit holder fails to maintain a valid permit for any reason and for
17 any period of time, the permit holder shall not be entitled to a renewal of the permit.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____