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HB No. 489

Abstract: Requires the issuance of certain permits for low and high alcohol content beverages for certain restaurant establishments and hotels in areas designated by the appropriate municipal authority as local historic landmark districts.

<u>Present law</u> requires the commissioner to issue a Class A Retail Liquor Permit and a Class "R" restaurant permit and the municipal governing authority or parish governing authority to issue any and all required local permits to serve high and low alcohol content beverages for certain restaurant establishments located within any municipality which has been designated by the appropriate authority of the U.S. Dept. of the Interior as a national historic landmark district provided that the establishment grosses 60% of its monthly sales from the retail sale of food or food items that are prepared for service and consumption on the premises of the establishment.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except that it changes the required permit from a Class A Retail Liquor Permit to a Class A-General Permit or a Class A-Restaurant Permit and adds areas designated by the appropriate municipal authority as local historic districts for purposes of receiving a permit to serve high and low alcohol content beverages for certain restaurant establishments or hotels.

(Amends R.S. 26:73(H) and 272(H))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill.

- 1. Changed the <u>present law</u> references for high and low alcohol content "Class A Retail Liquor Permits" to "Class A-General Permits".
- 2. Required the commissioner to issue a Class A-General Permit or a Class A-Restaurant Permit and a Class "R" restaurant permit to serve high and low alcohol content beverages for a restaurant or hotel within any municipality which had been designated as a national historic landmark district or as a local historic district by the appropriate municipal authority.
- 3. Provided for technical amendments.