HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 578 by Representative Cox

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: Authorizes the city of Mansfield to conduct local option elections regarding the sale of alcohol in restaurants

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes the requirement to qualify as a restaurant with respect to specifications for a public habitable floor area.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the governing authority for the city of Mansfield may submit to the voters in any election properly held a proposition that would determine whether or not the business of selling alcoholic beverages in a restaurant may be conducted and licensed only within the incorporated limits of the municipality.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for definitions including requirements to qualify as a "restaurant" for purposes of being licensed.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the language of the proposition to be voted on and provides that a majority vote cast on the proposition by the residents of the municipality shall determine the issue.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that application procedures, qualifications, and all licensing and permit requirements for a restaurant "R" permit shall apply.

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

(Adds R.S. 26:600)