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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 469, L.D. 576, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide for Licensing of Bottle Clubs."

Amend the Bill in section 2 in the 5th line (4th line of L.D.) by inserting after the underlined figure and abbreviation "5 a.m." the following underlined punctuation and words ', except where prohibited by local ordinance.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out all of section 3.

Further amend the Bill in section 4 by inserting before the 2nd paragraph from the end the following underlined paragraphs:

'Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, licenses may be granted to bottle clubs in municipalities and unincorporated places which have voted affirmatively on pertinent local option questions in section 101, subsections 2, 3, 6 and 7.

No bottle club license shall be issued by the State Liquor Commission until the application has been approved pursuant to section 252.'

Further amend the Bill by renumbering sections 4 to 10 to be 3 to 9.

Statement of Fact

The amendment of section/will allow a local ordinance to further restrict hours in bottle clubs.

The elimination of section³ and the amendment to section 4 will allow the bottle club to seek a license when the law becomes effective. Since there is no local option question at the present time, a license could not be issued until after the 1980 general election.

The amendment of section 4 will also grant authority for some form of local control which is badly needed in some areas.

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