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Introduced by Reps. D.C. Moss, V.S. Moss, Harrison, Delleney, Gambrell, Harrell, Hiott, Hixon, Lucas and Norman

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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 61‑6‑4160, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS ON SUNDAYS AND ELECTION DAYS, SO AS TO INCLUDE CHRISTMAS DAY AND THANKSGIVING DAY IN THE PURVIEW OF THE STATUTE.

Amend Title To Conform

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 61‑6‑4160 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 61‑6‑4160. It is unlawful to sell alcoholic liquors on Sunday except as authorized by law, ~~on statewide election days,~~ or during periods proclaimed by the Governor in the interest of law and order ~~or public morals and decorum~~. It is unlawful for retail liquor stores to sell liquors on Christmas Day and Thanksgiving Day. Full authority to proclaim these periods is conferred upon the Governor in addition to all his other powers. A person who violates a provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be punished as follows:

(a) for a first offense, by a fine of two hundred dollars or imprisonment for sixty days;

(b) for a second offense, by a fine of one thousand dollars or imprisonment for one year; and

(c) for a third or subsequent offense, by a fine of two thousand dollars or imprisonment for two years.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 4, Title 61 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 61‑4‑630. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an establishment possessing a beer and wine permit that is located in a county or municipality that has conducted a favorable referendum allowing the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquors by the drink on Sunday under the provisions of Section 61‑6‑2010, during those same hours authorized by permits issued under Section 61‑6‑2010, may sell, possess, and permit the consumption of beer and wine on the premises.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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