

SUBJECT: Exempting food and beverage certificate holders from surety bond

COMMITTEE: Licensing and Administrative Procedures — favorable, without amendment

VOTE: 5 ayes — Wilson, Yarbrough, Goolsby, Haggerty, Wise
0 nays
4 absent — Flores, D. Jones, Moreno, A. Reyna

WITNESSES: For — *Registered but did not testify*: Glen Garey, Texas Restaurant Association; Jay Propes
Against — None

BACKGROUND: Under current law, the statutory provisions and rules applying to holders of wine and beer retailer's permits, mixed beverage permits, private club permits, and retail dealer's on-premise licenses do not apply to a holder of a food and beverage certificate unless the statute or rule specifically refers to its application to a holder of such a certificate.

DIGEST: HB 1793 would specify that a holder of a food and beverage certificate is not required to file a surety bond with the Alcoholic Beverage Commission as required of other permit holders under Alcoholic Beverage Code, sec. 11.11 or sec. 61.13.

This bill would take effect September 1, 2001.

NOTES: The companion bill, SB 1233 by Cain, has been referred to the Senate Business and Commerce Committee.