

**SUBJECT:** Establishing notice requirements for new alcoholic beverage applications

**COMMITTEE:** Licensing and Administrative Procedures — committee substitute recommended

**VOTE:** 6 ayes — Wilson, Yarbrough, Goolsby, Haggerty, A. Reyna, Wise  
0 nays  
3 absent — Flores, D. Jones, J. Moreno

**WITNESSES:** None

**DIGEST:** CSHB 1806 would amend the Alcoholic Beverage Code, chapters 11 and 61, which establish guidelines for alcoholic beverage permits and licenses, respectively. It would require a person submitting a new application for a permit or license for on-premises consumption or sale of alcohol to give written notice of the application to every residence within 300 feet of the possible permitted premises. The application would have to include a list of these residences. This requirement would not apply to an applicant for a food and beverage certificate.

The notice would have to be delivered by mail within 14 days of the application date and be in English and in any other language, if it were likely that a substantial number of residents spoke another language. It would have to include information about the type of permit applied for, the location of possible permitted premises, the name or trade name of the owner or corporate officers, and the procedure for protesting the application.

**NOTES:** The committee substitute changed the filed version by providing that the notice would be required only for new applications and by increasing from 200 feet to 300 feet the area that would be affected by the requirement.

The companion bill, SB 1524 by Van de Putte, passed the Senate on the Local and Uncontested Calendar on April 26 and has been referred to the House Licensing and Administrative Procedures Committee.