By Senator Diaz de la Portilla

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to alcoholic beverage licenses; requiring publication of intent to apply for a beverage license; providing standards for such notice; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. (1) Each person applying for a license to sell alcoholic beverages under chapters 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 567, and 568, Florida Statutes, must certify that he or she has published notice of the application and that:
(a) The publication of the notice took place in the county in which the prospective licensed premises are located.
(b) The notice was published once a week for 2 successive weeks in a daily newspaper as defined in chapter 50, Florida Statutes. If there are no daily newspapers in the county in which the premises are located, such notice must have been published in a weekly newspaper in that county. If there is no daily or weekly newspaper in the county, notice must have been posted as provided in section 50.021 , Florida Statutes.
(2) Such notice must be printed in English in substantially the following form:

Notice is hereby given that application for the sale of (beer, wine, or liquor, as the case may be) on premises will be made by the undersigned at least 5 days after the last date of publication of this notice. Retail sale will

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take place in a (insert the name of the type of establishment, such as hotel, club, restaurant, vessel) located at (give the street address, city, state, and zip code). If any person desires to speak to the matter of issuance of a license for such premises, comments should be submitted to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation at (address of the office at which the application will be made) in writing, along with the name, address, and telephone number of the person making the comments.

Name of applicant (s)
Address of applicant(s)
(3) The provisions of this section apply only to the application for an original license and do not apply to any license renewal by the same applicant at the same location. (4) The original copy of the proof of publication shall be submitted to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation with the application for the license.

Notwithstanding any provision of this section, in any municipality or county in which publication of notice is on July 1, 2000, required of an applicant for a license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail, the local law or ordinance shall control the publication requirements, whether those requirements are superior or inferior to those imposed by this section. If on July 1, 2000, no local law or ordinance

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requires publication of such notice, the publication
requirements imposed by this section must be followed.
    Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.
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            SENATE SUMMARY
    Requires applicants for alcoholic beverage licenses to
    publish notice of their intent to apply for the license,
    but the requirement does not apply in any municipality or
    county that, on the effective date of the act, has in
    effect a publication requirement.```

