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A bill to be entitled  
An act relating to the City of Lake Wales, Polk  
County; providing an exception to general law for  
licensed alcoholic beverage vendors located within a  
specified area of the City of Lake Wales; providing  
that licensed alcoholic beverage vendors within the  
specified area must comply with all ordinances,  
statutes, and rules not inconsistent with specified  
provisions; defining the specified area of the city to  
which such exception applies; providing an effective  
date.

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

**Section 1.** Notwithstanding any other provision of the Beverage Law as defined in s. 561.01(6), Florida Statutes, the holder of any alcoholic beverage vendor license that permits the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, for which the designated premises of such license are located on any property within the Lake Wales Arts, Culture and Entertainment District of the City of Lake Wales, shall be authorized to allow patrons to remove any alcoholic beverage, either sealed or in an open container, from the licensed vendor premises for purposes of consumption away from the licensed vendor premises within the district. Such licensed alcoholic

26 beverage vendors located within the district shall be authorized  
27 to allow patrons to remove alcoholic beverages from the licensed  
28 vendor premises regardless of the class, type, or series of  
29 license held and without the need for additional licensure or  
30 approval by the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco.

31 **Section 2.** The holder of any alcoholic beverage vendor  
32 license located within the Lake Wales Arts, Culture and  
33 Entertainment District shall comply with all other local  
34 ordinances, state alcoholic beverage laws, and rules of the  
35 division not inconsistent herewith.

36 **Section 3.** For the purposes of this act, the Lake Wales  
37 Arts, Culture and Entertainment District means the area of land  
38 situated in Section 2, Township 30 South, Range 27 East, City of  
39 Lake Wales, Polk County, more particularly described as follows:

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41 BEGIN at the southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 1 of  
42 Heckscher Second Subdivision, according to the plat  
43 thereof as recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 45, public  
44 records of Polk County, Florida; thence Westerly along  
45 the south line of Lots 1 through 20, Block 1 of said  
46 Heckscher Second subdivision to the east right-of-way  
47 line of Wetmore Street S; thence Northerly along said  
48 east right-of-way line to the south right-of-way line  
49 of Sessoms Avenue W; thence Easterly along said south  
50 right-of-way line to the west right-of-way line of 1st

51       Street N; thence Southerly along said west right-of-  
52       way line of 1st Street N to the intersection of said  
53       west right-of-way line with the westerly projection of  
54       the south right-of-way line of Crystal Ave. E; thence  
55       Easterly along said westerly projection and south  
56       right-of-way line of Crystal Ave. E to the northeast  
57       corner of Lot A of Johnson Re-Subdivision of Lots 1  
58       and 2, Block 24, of Original Town of Lake Wales,  
59       according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book  
60       24, Page 34, public records of Polk County, Florida;  
61       thence Northeasterly to the southwest corner of Block  
62       21 of Map of Lake Wales, according to the plat thereof  
63       as recorded in Plat Book 1C, Page 88A, public records  
64       of Polk County, Florida; thence Northwesterly along  
65       the west line of said Block 21 to the northwest corner  
66       thereof; thence Easterly along the north line of said  
67       Block 21 to the northeast corner thereof; thence  
68       Southerly and Southwesterly along the east line of  
69       said Block 21 to the southeast corner thereof; thence  
70       Southerly to the northeast corner of Block T of  
71       aforesaid Map of Lake Wales, according to the plat  
72       thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1C, Page 88A; thence  
73       Southerly, Southeasterly and Southerly along the east  
74       line of said Block T to the southeast corner thereof;  
75       thence Westerly along the south line of said Block T

76       to the southwest corner thereof; thence continue  
77       Westerly to the southeast corner of Lot 20, Block 25  
78       of aforesaid Map of Lake Wales, according to the plat  
79       thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1C, Page 88A, said  
80       southeast corner of Lot 20 being on the west right-of-  
81       way line of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Corridor  
82       as portrayed on said Map of Lake Wales; thence  
83       Southeasterly along the platted west right-of-way line  
84       of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Corridor according  
85       to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1C, Page  
86       88A to the southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 37 of  
87       aforesaid Map of Lake Wales, according to the plat  
88       thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1C, Page 88A; thence  
89       Westerly along the south line of Lots 1 through 6,  
90       Block 37 to the southwest corner of said Lot 6, Block  
91       37; thence Westerly to the southeast corner of Lot 1,  
92       Block 38 of aforesaid Map of Lake Wales, according to  
93       the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1C, Page  
94       88A; thence Westerly along the south line of Lots 1  
95       through 10, Block 38 to the southwest corner of said  
96       Lot 10, Block 38; thence Northwesterly to the  
97       aforesaid southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 1 of  
98       Heckscher Second Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book  
99       6, Page 45 and the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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**Section 4.** This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.