

**HB408 INTRODUCED**



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3 By Representatives Bedsole, Paschal (N & P)

4 RFD: Shelby County Legislation

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4 A BILL

5 TO BE ENTITLED

6 AN ACT

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9 Relating to Shelby County; to authorize the City  
10 Council of the City of Alabaster to establish and regulate the  
11 operation of entertainment districts as designated by  
12 ordinance; and to authorize the city council to provide  
13 penalties for violations.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

15 Section 1. This act is adopted pursuant to the  
16 authority in subdivision (31) of Section 104 of the  
17 Constitution of Alabama of 2022.

18 Section 2. (a) The Alabaster City Council, by  
19 ordinance, may provide for the establishment of not more than  
20 two entertainment districts in the city, as those districts  
21 are defined in the Alabaster City Code. The entertainment  
22 districts may contain one or more Alabama Alcoholic Beverage  
23 Control Board licensees in an area that does not exceed  
24 one-half mile by one-half mile. The ordinance of the city  
25 council shall regulate hours of operation of an entertainment  
26 district, may provide for the revocation of the entertainment  
27 district designation, and may regulate any other aspect of the  
28 operation of entertainment districts.



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(b) Any retail licensee of the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board licensed to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption located in an entertainment district may obtain an entertainment district permit. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any licensee that receives an entertainment district permit shall comply with all laws and rules governing its license, except that patrons, guests, or members of the licensee may exit the licensed premises with open containers of alcoholic beverages anywhere within the confines of the entertainment district but may not enter the premises of another licensee with open containers or closed containers of alcoholic beverages acquired elsewhere. In addition, the ordinance shall prohibit a person other than a retail licensee from possessing or bringing into the entertainment district an open or closed container of alcoholic beverages acquired outside of the entertainment district during the hours of operation of the entertainment district.

47 (c) The ordinance shall be enforced by the City of  
48 Alabaster and shall provide penalties for violations of the  
49 ordinance as otherwise authorized by law.

50                   Section 3. This act shall become effective on June 1,  
51                   2026.