CHAPTER 2007-302

House Bill No. 1407

An act relating to the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County; authorizing the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to issue up to a specified number of temporary permits to a nonprofit civic organization to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises at outdoor events on public right-of-way in the downtown area of St. Petersburg; providing that such events require a street-closure permit from the City of St. Petersburg; providing that the permits authorized by the act are in addition to certain other authorized temporary permits; requiring the nonprofit civic organization to comply with certain statutory requirements in obtaining the permits authorized by the act; requiring the division to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation may issue to a bona fide nonprofit civic organization, upon application and presentation of a valid street-closure permit issued by the City of St. Petersburg, a temporary permit authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises at outdoor events on public right-of-way in the downtown area of St. Petersburg. Any such nonprofit civic organization may be issued up to 15 temporary permits per calendar year and each temporary permit is valid for up to 3 days. For purposes of this act, the downtown area of St. Petersburg is that area between 5th Avenues North and South and between 16th Street and the waterfront.

(2) The temporary permits authorized by this act are in addition to the three temporary permits authorized per year for a nonprofit civic organization pursuant to s. 561.422, Florida Statutes.

(3) The nonprofit civic organization shall comply with all other requirements of s. 561.422, Florida Statutes, in obtaining the temporary permits authorized by this act.

(4) On or before October 1, 2007, the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 120, Florida Statutes, to administer this act. Such rules shall include permitting procedures and application forms.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 12, 2007.

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