CHAPTER 2014-253
Committee Substitute for
Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1443

An act relating to the City of Ocala, Marion County; defining the term “Ocala Downtown Area”; authorizing the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to issue to a bona fide nonprofit civic organization a specified number of additional temporary permits to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises at certain events in the Ocala Downtown Area; providing requirements to obtain the temporary permit; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. (1) As used in this act, the term “Ocala Downtown Area” means that area of the City of Ocala in Marion County which is bounded on the north by NW 20th Street, on the west by Pine Avenue, on the south by SW 10th Street, and on the east by Sanchez Avenue to NE 3rd Street, Watula Avenue from NE 3rd Street to SE 8th Street, and SE Magnolia Avenue from SE 8th Street to SW 10th Street.

(2) Notwithstanding any 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 up to 15 temporary permits per calendar year authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises at outdoor events in the Ocala Downtown Area. Such temporary permits shall be valid for up to 3 days.

(3) To obtain a temporary permit under this act, a bona fide nonprofit civic organization must:

(a) Present a valid resolution to the division from the Ocala City Council which grants temporary approval for possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages on municipally owned property and authorizes closure of affected streets if public rights-of-way are included in the permitted premises; and

(b) Comply with all other requirements of s. 561.422, Florida Statutes.

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

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

Approved by the Governor May 12, 2014.

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