

1 HB647  
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3 By Representative Martin (N & P)  
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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 Relating to Chilton County; providing for an  
14 election to determine whether alcoholic beverages may be sold  
15 or dispensed within Chilton County on any day except Sunday.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

17 Section 1. This act shall apply only in Chilton  
18 County.

19 Section 2. The judge of probate of the county shall  
20 call an election in conjunction with the next statewide  
21 primary or general election for the county to determine  
22 whether alcoholic beverages may be legally sold or distributed  
23 in the county on any day except Sunday. On the ballot to be  
24 used for the wet-dry referendum election, the question shall  
25 be in the following form: "Do you favor the legal sale and  
26 distribution of alcoholic beverages within Chilton County on  
27 any day except Sunday? Yes \_\_\_\_\_, No \_\_\_\_\_."

1           (b) The election shall be held and the officers  
2 appointed to hold the election in the manner provided by law  
3 for holding other county elections, and the returns thereof  
4 tabulated and results certified as provided by law for county  
5 elections.

6           (c) Notice of the election shall be given by the  
7 judge of probate by publication or by posting the notice at  
8 the courthouse apprising the voters of the county, at least  
9 three weeks before the date of the election, that an election  
10 shall be held to determine whether alcoholic beverages may be  
11 sold in the county. The cost of the election shall be paid out  
12 of the general fund of the county.

13           (d) Only qualified voters may vote in the election.  
14 If a majority of the voters of the county voting in the county  
15 election vote "Yes," alcoholic beverages may be legally sold,  
16 distributed, and consumed within the county on any day except  
17 Sunday. If a majority of the voters voting in the county  
18 election vote "No," alcoholic beverages may not be sold or  
19 dispensed in the county. A no vote may not be construed as a  
20 repeal of the right to sell alcoholic beverages within  
21 municipalities located in the county where alcoholic beverages  
22 may be legally sold, distributed, and consumed.

23           Section 3. This act shall become effective on the  
24 first day of the third month following its passage and  
25 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.