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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to Etowah County; to amend Section 45-28-243, Code of Alabama 1975; to increase the amount of time necessary for accommodations supplied to be exempt from privilege and license tax in the county.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 45-28-243 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§45-28-243

(a) In Etowah County, there is ~~hereby~~ levied and imposed, in addition to all other taxes of every kind now imposed by law, a privilege or license tax upon every person, firm, or corporation engaging in the business of renting or furnishing any room or rooms, lodging, or accommodations to transients in any hotel, motel, inn, tourist camp, tourist cabin, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished to transients for a consideration, in an amount of two percent of the charge for such room, rooms, lodgings, or accommodations, including the charge for use or rental of personal property and services furnished in ~~such~~ the room. There is exempted from the tax



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29 levied under this section any taxes on rentals or services
30 under Division 1, commencing with Section 40-23-1, of Article
31 1, Chapter 23, Title 40. The tax shall not apply to rooms,
32 lodgings, or accommodations supplied for a period of ~~30~~ 180
33 continuous days or more in any place.

34 (b) Municipal privilege license taxes which are levied
35 and collected by the application of a flat percentage rate on
36 gross sales or gross receipts from sales~~7~~ and which are passed
37 on directly by the licensee-seller to the purchaser-consumer
38 or user shall be excluded from gross sales or gross receipts~~7~~
39 ~~as the case may be,~~ in the computation of the tax ~~herein~~
40 levied in this section.

41 (c) The tax ~~herein~~ levied in this section shall be
42 collected in the same manner as the state lodgings tax as
43 provided in Chapter 26, Title 40~~7~~ and shall be additional
44 thereto; and the net proceeds ~~thereof~~ of the tax shall be
45 payable to the county general fund for the purposes ~~on of~~
46 promoting tourism and beautification. ~~Such~~ The funds shall be
47 used as follows: Fifty percent for the support and promotion
48 of tourism and ~~fifty~~ 50 percent for the support and promotion
49 of beautification and ecology as determined by the resolutions
50 of the Clean and Beautiful Community Commission and the
51 Gadsden-Etowah County Tourism Board. The State Department of
52 Revenue shall ~~promulgate such~~ adopt rules ~~and regulations~~
53 provide ~~such~~ forms and instructions as ~~are~~ necessary to
54 implement this section."

55 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October
56 1, 2026.