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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REP. SUSAN LAUGHLIN *SL*  
120 SOUTH OFFICE BUILDING  
7-4444

SUBJECT: Cosponsorship of Legislation Allowing Easier Restaurant Egress

Your cosponsorship of legislation allowing a restaurant serving alcohol to be structured with more room, thus permitting easier exit. This is important in case of fire or other emergencies requiring a large number of occupants to quickly leave the restaurant.

Under current law, the Liquor Code defines a "restaurant" as a place with chairs and tables for 30 or more people. Unfortunately, it is not always feasible or wise to force establishments, especially small enterprises, to provide tables and chairs for so many people. The clutter of too many furnishings can present hazards if an emergency requires occupants to quickly exit.

This proposal would require restaurants to provide chairs and barstools as well as tables and counterspace for at least 30 people. This does not deter from the intent that a restaurant serving alcohol should be only available to serve 30 people. It simply requires that the number of seating places, rather than the number of chairs, be counted towards determining if the establishment qualifies for a liquor license.

Please call my office in order to cosponsor this legislation.

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May 14, 1997

TO: All House Members  
FROM: Rep. Susan Laughlin  
RE: Legislation Amending Liquor Code

*Susan Laughlin*  
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I welcome your cosponsorship of legislation I intend to introduce which allows a restaurant serving alcohol to be structured with more room, thus permitting easier exit. This is important in case of fire or other emergencies requiring a large number of occupants to quickly leave the restaurant.

Under current law, the Liquor Code defines a "restaurant" as a place with chairs and tables for 30 or more people. It is not always feasible or wise to force establishments, especially small enterprises, to provide tables and chairs for so many people. The clutter of too many furnishings can present hazards if an emergency requires occupants to exit quickly.

This legislation that I am introducing from last term would require restaurants to provide chairs and barstools as well as tables and counter space for at least 30 people. This does not deter from the intent that a restaurant serving alcohol should be only available to serve 30 people. It simply requires that the number of seating places, rather than the number of chairs, be counted towards determining if the establishment qualifies for a liquor license.

Call me at 7-4444 if you wish to add your name as a cosponsor to this legislation.

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Bill: Amend Title 75

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February 23, 1999

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Susan Laughlin 

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation – Further defining “restaurant”

I will be introducing legislation that will amend the definition of “restaurant”. The language of this legislation adds counter space and barstool seating which accommodate at least thirty persons at one time.

Should you like to co-sponsor this legislation or would like to review a copy of the language, please contact my office at 7-4444. Thank you for your consideration of this bill.



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**Bill:** Amend Liquor Code - definition of restaurant

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5	Surra	29	30		
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7	Trello	156	32		
8	Courgan	26	33		
9	Sainato	100	34		
10	Youngblood	167	35		
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Bill:

Restaurant Definition

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2	Staback	28	27		
3	Robinson	9	28		
4	Jangetti	98	29		
5	Hennessey	141	30		
6	Steelman	26	31		
7	McCall	79	32		
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