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## Open Beer Cans

### Private Acts of 1981 Chapter 31

**SECTION 1.** It shall be unlawful for any person to drink or consume or have an open can or bottle of beer in or on any public street, alley, avenue, highway, sidewalk, public park, public school ground, or other public place unless the place has the appropriate permits and licenses for on premises consumption as required by law.

**SECTION 2.** Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall upon conviction be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by not more than a fifty dollar (\$50.00) fine.

**SECTION 3.** This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the county legislative body of Obion County before September 1, 1981. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body and certified by him to the Secretary of State.

**SECTION 4.** For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this Act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 3.

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