



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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An ordinance to amend Chapter 6.77 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to operation of entertainment transportation vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That Section 6.77.320 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws is hereby amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the Section:

6.77.320 Operating area.

Entertainment transportation vehicles shall operate upon the streets within the metropolitan area on routes or zones, and within hours of operation, established by the MTLC or its staff. Any deviation from these approved routes, zones, or hours of operation must be approved by the MTLC or its staff. Any approved deviation must be reported to the MTLC or the MTLC director staff prior to beginning of operations. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, between the hours of 8am and 4pm Monday through Friday, no entertainment transportation vehicle may operate outside of the following boundaries: Union Street, from 2nd Avenue North to 4th Avenue North; 4th Avenue North from Union Street to Broadway; Broadway from 4th Avenue North to 2nd Avenue North; 2nd Avenue North from Broadway to Union Street Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, between the hours of 8am and 6pm Monday through Friday, no entertainment transportation vehicle may operate within 600 feet of the property line of a community education facility as defined in Section 17.04.060 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws. The provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Section 2. That Section 6.77.240 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws is hereby amended by adding the following new subsection D.:

D. It is unlawful for any person driving or in any way operating an unenclosed entertainment transportation vehicle to knowingly allow a passenger to consume alcoholic beverages or beer during operation of an unenclosed vehicle. For purposes of this subsection, "knowingly allow" means the person has actual notice of or, through reasonable due diligence, should know that a passenger is consuming an alcoholic beverage or beer upon or within the unenclosed transportation entertainment vehicle. The provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Section 23. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This ordinance, as substituted, would prohibit the operation of an entertainment transportation vehicles within 600 feet of a community education facility, defined as an elementary, middle, and high school, between the hours of 8am and 6pm Monday through Friday.

The ordinance would also make it an offense for a person driving or operating an unenclosed entertainment

transportation vehicle to knowingly allow a passenger to consume an alcoholic beverage or beer during the operation of the unenclosed entertainment transportation vehicle.