

House Judiciary Reported Substitute for HB419

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5	A BILL
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9	Relating to crimes and offenses; to amend Section
10	13A-11-10.1 of the Code of Alabama 1975, prohibiting an adult
11	having control of a residence who authorizes an open house
12	party at the residence from allowing an open house party to
13	continue under certain conditions when illegal possession or
14	consumption of alcohol or a controlled substance is taking
15	place by persons under 21 years of age; to delete the
16	requirement that the adult be in attendance at the party; and
17	to authorize a law enforcement officer, on a call to the
18	residence, to enter the premises if the officer has a
19	reasonable suspicion of a violation of this section.
20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
21	Section 1. Section 13A-11-10.1 of the Code of Alabama
22	1975, is amended to read as follows:
23	"§13A-11-10.1
24	(a) As used in this section, the following words have
25	the following meanings:
26	(1) ADULT. A person who, pursuant to state law, may
27	possess alcoholic beverages.
28	(2) ADULT HAVING CONTROL OF A RESIDENCE. An adult who



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- 29 has sanctioned an open house party and who is in attendance.
- 30 (3) ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE. The meaning ascribed in Section
- 31 28-3-1.
- 32 (4) CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE. The meaning ascribed in
- 33 Section 20-2-2.
- 34 (5) OPEN HOUSE PARTY. A social gathering at a
- 35 residence.
- 36 (6) REASONABLE ACTION. The act of ejecting a person
- from a residence or requesting law enforcement officials to
- 38 eject a person from a residence.
- 39 (7) RESIDENCE. A home, apartment, condominium, country
- 40 club, motel, hotel, or any other unit designed for dwelling.
- Notwithstanding the foregoing, a residence shall not include a
- facility that is properly licensed or permitted by a
- 43 governmental entity or that is occupied by an organization
- chartered by a college or university nor shall a residence
- include any building owned or occupied by a college or
- 46 university.
- 47 (b) No adult having control of any residence, who has
- 48 authorized an open house party at the residence and is in
- 49 attendance at the party, shall allow the open house party to
- 50 continue if all of the following occur:
- 51 (1) Alcoholic beverages or controlled substances are
- 52 illegally possessed or illegally consumed at the residence by
- a person under the age of 21.
- 54 (2) The adult knows that an alcoholic beverage or a
- 55 controlled substance is in the illegal possession of or is
- being illegally consumed by a person under the age of 21 at



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- 58 (3) The adult fails to take reasonable action to prevent illegal possession or illegal consumption of the 59 60 alcoholic beverage or controlled substance.
 - (c) Any adult who violates this section shall be guilty of a Class B misdemeanor.
 - (d) A law enforcement officer, on a call to the residence, having a reasonable suspicion that this section is being violated may enter the premises to determine if probable cause exists to charge the adult in control of the residence with a violation of this section or another person with a violation of law.
 - (e) This section shall not apply to the host of an event at a facility that is properly licensed or permitted by a governmental entity to host a party or to an adult serving as a facility manager or officer of an organization that is chartered by a college or university and that hosts events." Section 2. This act shall become effective on October