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Opinion Committee

Dear Ms. Robinson:

The City of Camp Wood is requesting a ruling on the legality of a city ordinance on vendor permits. They have the following questions:

Is it legal for a city to pass a city ordinance that restricts street vendors from selling in a city without a permit? If not what restrictions can they impose?

May a city pass a city ordinance that requires a vendor to construct a permanent building with restrooms and parking?

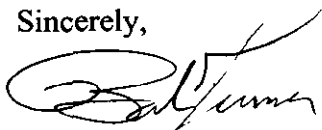
May a city impose the above restrictions on a street vendor if he or she is state licensed and has a state tax number?

May a city pass a city ordinance that restricts a vendor from selling on private property?

Basically, I would like an opinion from the Attorney General's office as to what a city can do in regards to vendors on public and private property.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Reaves at 463-0849.

Sincerely,



State Representative Bob Turner, District 73