HOUSE No. 4198

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act increasing the number of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages in the town of Easton.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, the licensing authority of the town of Easton may grant up to 1 additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 15 of said Chapter 138. Such license shall only be granted to an establishment located in the North Easton Village, as defined by the Tax Increment Financing Plan known as the North Easton Village Tax Increment Financing District, as approved on April 12, 2012, as amended from time to time. Any license issued pursuant to this act shall be subject to Chapter 138, excepting only section 17.

- (b) A license granted under this section shall not be transferable to any other person, corporation, or organization: (i) for a period of 3 years from the date of original issuance or 3 years from the date of enactment of this legislation, whichever is later; and (ii) to a location outside of the North Easton Village. A license issued pursuant to the authority of this act shall be clearly marked "North Easton Village License Only" and "nontransferable" on the face of the license.
- (c) If a license granted under this section is revoked, surrendered, or no longer in use at the location of original issuance, it shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights and privileges pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority which may then grant the license to a new applicant under the same conditions as specified in this act; provided further that no license shall be re-issued for use in the same location within 6 months from the date that the prior license was revoked or terminated, unless the applicant files a letter in writing from the department of revenue and a letter from the department of unemployment assistance indicating that the license is in good standing with the those entities and that all applicable taxes, fees, and contributions have been paid.

23 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.