HOUSE No. 4411

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, August 21, 2014.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4313) of Kate Hogan (by vote of the town) that the town of Hudson be authorized to issue four additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4411) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

For the committee,

JOHN W. SCIBAK.

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In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act authorizing the town of Hudson to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages and wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises for Highland Commons.

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 Hudson may grant 4 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages and 1 license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises, pursuant to section 12 of said chapter 138, to premises located within the development known as Highland Commons, off of Coolidge street in the town of Hudson, as is more particularly shown on a plan entitled "Highland Commons Highway Shopping Center, Hudson/Berlin, Mass. -Master Site Plan" dated November 21, 2013 on file with the town clerk. The licenses shall be subject to all of said chapter 138, except said section 17.

- (b) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of a license granted pursuant to this act to a location outside of Highland Commons, but it may grant the license to a new applicant within Highland Commons if the applicant therefor files with the licensing authority a letter from the department of revenue and a letter from the department of unemployment assistance indicating that the license is in good standing with those entities and that all applicable taxes, fees, and contributions have been paid. All licenses issued pursuant to the authority of this act shall be clearly marked "Highland Commons License Only" on the face of the license.
- (c) A license granted pursuant to this act shall not be transferrable to any other person, corporation, or organization for a period of 3 years from the date of issuance or 3 years from the effective date of this act, whichever is later.
- (d) If a license granted pursuant to this act is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, the license shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority. The licensing authority may then grant that license

- 22 to a new applicant only at a location within Highland Commons under the same conditions as
- 23 specified in this act.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.