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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, August 6, 2015.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to whom was referred the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3323) of Paul Tucker and Joan B. Lovely (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Salem be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 3710) ought to pass.

For the committee,

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act authorizing the city of Salem to issue additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

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. Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the licensing authority of the city of Salem may grant 1 additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises under section 12 of said chapter 138 to Cinemaworld of Florida, Inc., to be located at 355-373 Highland avenue in the city of Salem. The license shall be subject to all of said chapter 138 except said section 17.

The alcohol licensing authority of the city of Salem shall not approve the transfer of the license to any other location, but it may grant the license to a new applicant at the same location if the applicant 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 departments and that all applicable taxes, fees and contributions have been paid.

If the license granted under this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, it shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto,

14 to the alcohol licensing authority of the city of Salem which may then grant the license to a new
15 applicant at the same location and under the same conditions as specified in this act.

16 SECTION 2. (a) The fee charged by the city of Salem for the issuance of a license issued
17 pursuant to this act shall be paid by the licensee to the city in full at the time of issuance, unless
18 the licensing authority agrees to enter into an arrangement with the recipient of a license which
19 would enable the fee to be divided into multiple payments or prorated over multiple periods of
20 time.

21 (b) Notwithstanding section 12 of said chapter 138, if the city of Salem charges a fee for
22 a license pursuant to this act which is greater than the amount of the fee charged for an annual
23 renewal of a similar license issued by the city, then the city shall deposit the fee into its special
24 economic development account established for the deposit of revenue from additional alcoholic
25 beverage licenses issued pursuant to special acts and the fee charged shall be expended by the
26 city in a manner consistent with the purposes of the account.

27 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.