HOUSE . . . . . No. 4453

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 30, 2016.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to whom was referred the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4374) of James Arciero and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town) that the town of Littleton be authorized to grant one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4453) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

For the committee,

JENNIFER E. BENSON.

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

An Act authorizing the town of Littleton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on premises.

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 Littleton may grant one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to Section 15 of said Chapter 138. The license shall be subject to all of said Chapter 138, except said section 17.

(b) The licensing authority of the town of Littleton shall only grant the license to persons, corporations, organization and entities operating a business located within the district known as the Littleton Common, as more specifically shown on a plan on file with the Board of Selectmen of the town of Littleton.

(c) The licensing authority of the town of Littleton shall not approve the transfer of the license granted pursuant to this act to person, corporation, organization or entity for a period of three (3) years from the date of issuance; provided, however, that after three (3) years, the licensing authority shall not approve a transfer of the license to a location outside of the Littleton Common.

(d) If a license granted pursuant to this act is revoked, cancelled, forfeited or surrendered it shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights and privileges pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority of the town of Littleton. The licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant operating within the Littleton Common only, under the same conditions as specified in this section provided that 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 licensee is in good standing with those departments and that all applicable taxes, fees, and contributions have been paid..

(e) The license issued pursuant to this act shall be clearly marked "Littleton Common Only" and contain as a condition to issuance, the restriction on transfers set forth in subsection (c) of this act. The issuance or transfer of the license must comply with Chapter 138 of the General Laws.

(f) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this act shall not prohibit the licensing authority of the town of Littleton from modifying, suspending, revoking, or cancelling a license issued pursuant to this act as permitted in Chapter 138 of the General Laws.

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