

HOUSE No. 3754

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act authorizing the town of Dracut to grant 4 additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the
2 licensing authority of the town of Dracut may grant 2 additional licenses for the sale of all
3 alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 12 of said chapter 138, to
4 establishments located within the town’s B-3 business district, as that district is defined by the
5 town’s zoning map, as it existed as of November 3, 2015, upon approval of and under conditions
6 set by the licensing authority of the town. The licenses shall be subject to all of said chapter 138
7 except said section 17.

8 (b) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of a license granted pursuant to
9 this section to any other location outside of the town’s B-3 business district, but it may grant a
10 license to a new applicant within the B-3 business district if the applicant files with the licensing
11 authority a letter from the department of revenue and a letter from the department of
12 unemployment assistance indicating that the license is in good standing with those departments
13 and that all applicable taxes, fees and contributions have been paid.

14 (c) If a license granted pursuant to this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, it
15 shall be returned physically, with all legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to
16 the licensing authority and the licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant
17 in the town’s B-3 business district under the same conditions as specified in this section.

18 SECTION 2.(a) Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the
19 licensing authority of the town of Dracut may grant one additional license for the sale of all
20 alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 12 of said chapter 138, to
21 establishments located within the town’s B-4 business district, as that district is defined by the
22 town’s zoning map, as it existed as of November 3, 2015, upon approval of and under conditions
23 set by the licensing authority of the town. A license granted pursuant to this section shall be
24 clearly marked on its face “B-4 business district” and shall be subject to all of said chapter 138
25 except said section 17.

26 (b) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of a license granted pursuant to
27 this act to any other location outside of the town’s B-4 business district, but it may grant a
28 license to a new applicant within the B-4 business district if the applicant files with the licensing
29 authority a letter from the department of revenue and a letter from the department of
30 unemployment assistance indicating that the license is in good standing with those departments
31 and that all applicable taxes, fees and contributions have been paid.

32 (c) If a license granted pursuant to this act is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, it
33 shall be returned physically, with all legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to
34 the licensing authority and the licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant
35 in the town’s B-4 business district under the same conditions as specified in this section.

36 SECTION 3. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the
37 licensing authority of the town of Dracut may grant one additional licenses for the sale of all
38 alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 12 of said chapter 138, to
39 establishments located within the town’s B-5 business district, as that district is defined by the
40 town’s zoning map, as it existed as of November 3, 2015, upon approval of and under conditions
41 set by the licensing authority of the town. The license granted pursuant to this section shall be
42 clearly marked on its face “B-5 business district” and shall be subject to all of said chapter 138
43 except said section 17.

44 (b) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of a license granted pursuant to
45 this section to any location outside of the town’s B-5 business district, but it may grant a license
46 to a new applicant within the B-5 business district if the applicant files with the licensing
47 authority a letter from the department of revenue and a letter from the department of
48 unemployment assistance indicating that the license is in good standing with those departments
49 and that all applicable taxes, fees and contributions have been paid.

50 (c) If a license granted pursuant to this act is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, it
51 shall be returned physically, with all legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to
52 the licensing authority and the licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant
53 in the town’s B-5 business district under the same conditions as specified in this section.

54 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.