

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 5113**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Tackey Chan and Paul R. Feeney*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to provide relief to pouring establishments during COVID-19.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>	<i>9/16/2020</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>10/7/2020</i>

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By Representative Chan of Quincy and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tackey Chan and Paul R. Feeney relative to licensees for the sale of beverages to be drunk on premises during the COVID-19 emergency. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)

An Act to provide relief to pouring establishments during COVID-19.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide timely economic relief to establishments adversely impacted by COVID-19, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*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. Notwithstanding provisions of section 12 of chapter 138 of the General  
2 Laws to the contrary, any licensee that is licensed pursuant to said section 12 that cannot reopen  
3 until Phase 4 of Reopening Massachusetts, or is unable to open as result of disruptions caused by  
4 the outbreak of the 2019 novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, may file its annual  
5 license renewal for 2021 pursuant to section 16A of said chapter 138, without submitting proof  
6 of liquor legal liability insurance policy; provided, however, that no such licensee shall reopen to  
7 the public without first submitting proof to the licensing authority proof of a liquor liability  
8 insurance policy naming the licensee as the insured. No insurer, broker, agent or their  
9 representative shall impose or collect any surcharge, penalty, fee or other charge in addition to  
10 the premium for any such liquor liability insurance policy.