HOUSE . . . . . No. 4666

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 11, 2022.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to whom was referred the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4196) of James Arciero (by vote of the town) that the town of Westford be authorized to issue one additional license for sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4666) ought to pass.

For the committee,

TACKEY CHAN.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)

An Act authorizing the town of Westford to grant one additional license for the sale of all 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. (a) Notwithstanding Section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the local licensing authority of the town of Westford may grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 15 of said chapter 138 to Feng you, Incorporated d/b/a Empire Wine & Spirits located at 175 Littleton Road in the town of Westford. The license shall be subject to all of said chapter 138 except said section 17.

(b) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of the license granted under this section 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.

(c) If a licensee terminates or fails to renew a license granted under this section or any such license is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, it shall be returned physically, with all of

the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority which may, within 3 years after such return, then grant the license to a new applicant at the same location under the same conditions as specified in this section, otherwise such license shall dissolve.

(d) The license granted under this act shall be issued within 1 year after the effective date of this act; provided, however, that a license originally granted within that time period may be granted to a new applicant under subsections (b) and (c) thereafter.

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