

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4051**

Section 15 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4040), which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message see Attachment D of House, No. 4055). August 9, 2023.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to the distribution of alcoholic beverages consumed in gaming establishments not within gaming areas.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to the distribution of alcoholic beverages consumed in gaming establishments not within gaming areas, 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. Section 26 of chapter 23K of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after the word “commission”, in line 37, the following words:- ; provided,  
3 however, that the division of gaming liquor enforcement of the alcoholic beverages control  
4 commission, in consultation with the commission, shall, for violations of said chapter 138,  
5 enforce, regulate and control the distribution of alcoholic beverages to be drunk in a gaming  
6 establishment but not within a gaming area, including, but not limited to, restaurants and bars.