

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4817

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, December 8, 2025.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4570) of Kenneth P. Swezey and Kathleen R. LaNatra (by vote of the town) that the town of Pembroke be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4817) ought to pass.

For the committee,

TACKEY CHAN.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**

An Act authorizing the town of Pembroke to grant one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not 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 Pembroke may grant 1 additional license for the sale of all  
3           alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 15 of said chapter 138 to  
4           South Shore Market and Deli, located at 256 Church Street in the town. A license granted  
5           pursuant to this act shall be subject to all of said chapter 138 except said section 17.

6           (b) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of the license granted pursuant  
7           to this act to any other location, but it may grant the license to a new applicant at the same  
8           location if the applicant files with the licensing authority a letter from the department of revenue  
9           and a letter from the department of unemployment assistance indicating that the license is in  
10          good standing with those departments and that all applicable taxes, fees and contributions have  
11          been paid.

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

14 legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority, which may,  
15 within 3 years after such return, then grant the license to a new applicant at the same location,  
16 otherwise such license shall dissolve.

17 (d) The license granted pursuant to this act shall be issued within 3 years after the  
18 effective date of this act; provided, however, that if the license is originally granted within that  
19 time period, it may be granted to a new applicant under subsections (b) and (c) thereafter.

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