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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Susannah M. Whipps and Joanne M. Comerford***

*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 authorizing the town of Athol to grant five (5) additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
|---|---|---|
| *Susannah M. Whipps* | *2nd Franklin* | *8/5/2026* |
| *Joanne M. Comerford* | *Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester* | *8/5/2026* |

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By Representative Whipps of Athol and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5653) of Susannah M. Whipps and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) that the town of Athol be authorized to grant five additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises in said town. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. [Local Approval Received.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act authorizing the town of Athol to grant five (5) additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off 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:*

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the licensing authority of the town of Athol may grant five (5) additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises pursuant to section 15 of said chapter 138. A license granted pursuant to this act shall be subject to all of said chapter 138 except said section 17.

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