

**Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure
2025-2026 (194th) Bill Summary**

BILL NUMBER: H3893

TITLE: An Act authorizing the town of Lexington to grant ten additional licenses for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises.

SPONSOR(S): Ciccolo, Michelle

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**REPORTING
DEADLINE:** July 11, 2025

CURRENT LAW

Section 12 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws regulates on premises alcohol consumption sales in the Commonwealth.

Section 17 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws regulates the number of available alcoholic beverages sales licenses within each city or town. The number of licenses available within each city or town is based on population and set by a statutory formula provided under this section.

SUMMARY

This legislation seeks to authorize the town of Lexington to grant 10 additional licenses for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises. Six of such licenses shall be distributed among three designated economic development zones within the town, while 4 are to be granted to specific addressed establishments.