



General Assembly

February Session, 2024

**Raised Bill No. 5148**

LCO No. 754



Referred to Committee on GENERAL LAW

Introduced by:  
(GL)

***AN ACT CONCERNING GROCERY STORE BEER PERMITTEES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 30-20 of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
3 *2024*):

4 (a) For the purposes of this section, "grocery store" (1) means any  
5 store that (A) [is commonly known as a delicatessen, food store, grocery  
6 store or supermarket, and (B) is primarily engaged in] dedicates at least  
7 thirty per cent of the store's total retail sales area or six thousand square  
8 feet, whichever is less, to (i) the retail sale of various canned goods,  
9 frozen foods, nonalcoholic beverages and dry goods such as coffee,  
10 flour, spices, sugar and tea, whether packaged or in bulk, regardless of  
11 whether such store sells fresh fruits and vegetables or fresh, prepared or  
12 smoked fish, meat and poultry, and (ii) service departments (I) related  
13 to the retail sales described in subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision,  
14 including, but not limited to, a bakery, florist, pharmacy or retail service  
15 station, as defined in section 14-344a, or (II) that offer household  
16 products or sundries, and (B) includes a redemption center, as defined

17 in section 22a-243, and (2) does not include any store that is primarily  
18 engaged in the retail sale of bakery products, candy, nuts and  
19 confectioneries, dairy products, eggs and poultry, fruits and vegetables  
20 or seafood.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	30-20(a)
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To redefine "grocery store" for purposes of the grocery store beer permit.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*