

HOUSE No. 199

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nick Collins

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the charitable auctioning of malt beverages.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Nick Collins

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

4th Suffolk

HOUSE No. 199

By Mr. Collins of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 199) of Nick Collins relative to licenses for the charitable auctioning of malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to the charitable auctioning of malt beverages.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by striking Section
2 14A and putting in place thereof the following:-

3 “Section 14A. The licensing authority in any city or town wherein the granting of
4 licenses to sell all alcoholic beverages or wines and malt beverages only may grant licenses for
5 the sale of wine or malt beverages at auctions, not to be drunk on the premises, to an applicant
6 that is licensed as an auctioneer pursuant to chapter 100 for not less than 10 years. Each license
7 shall describe the premises to which it applies and shall be granted only for the premises which
8 are either the principal place of business or headquarters of the applicant and legally zoned to
9 allow such sales or which are the premises of a licensee under section 12 or section 15. The fee
10 for the license shall not exceed the minimum fee for holders of licenses under section 14. A
11 holder of a license for the sale of wine or malt beverages at auctions may conduct any such
12 auction on any day and at any time permitted under section 12. Applications shall be granted by
13 the licensing authority according to the local procedure for granting licenses under said section
14 14.

15 A licensee who holds a license under this section may provide, without charge, on-
16 premises sample wine or malt beverage tastings for prospective customers if such wines or malt
17 beverages shall be available for sale at auction on those premises; provided, however, that no
18 single serving of wine or malt beverage shall exceed 1/4 of an ounce; and provided further, that
19 the licensee shall control the dispensing of the wine.”