

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4189

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, November 20, 2023.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to whom was referred the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3968) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Chatham be authorized to grant an additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4189) ought to pass.

For the committee,

TACKEY CHAN.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act granting an additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Chatham.

*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 sections 17 and 17A of chapter 138 of the General  
2 Laws, the licensing authority of the town of Chatham may convert 1 seasonal license for the sale  
3 of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises, under section 12 of said chapter 138,  
4 currently issued to Pate’s Restaurant located at 1260 Main Street to an annual license for the sale  
5 of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises under said section 12 of said chapter 138  
6 to Pate’s Restaurant for use at 1260 Main Street in the town. The license converted under this  
7 section shall be subject to all provisions of said chapter 138, except said sections 17 and 17A.

8           (b) A license converted under this section shall only be exercised in the dining room of a  
9 common victualler and such other public rooms or areas as may be deemed reasonable and  
10 appropriate by the licensing authority as certified in writing.

11           (c) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of the license converted  
12 pursuant to this section to any other location, but it may grant the license to a new applicant at  
13 the same location if the applicant files with the licensing authority a letter from the department of

14 revenue and a letter from the department of unemployment assistance indicating that the license  
15 if in good standing with those departments and that all applicable taxes, fees, and contributions  
16 have been paid.

17 (d) If the license converted under this act is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use at the  
18 location of original issuance, it shall be returned physically, with all legal rights, privileges and  
19 restrictions pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority which may then, within 3 years grant the  
20 license to a new applicant at the same location under the same conditions as specified in this act,  
21 otherwise such license shall dissolve.

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