

# **HOUSE . . . . . No. 4453**

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 30, 2016.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to whom was referred the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4374) of James Arciero and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town) that the town of Littleton be authorized to grant one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4453) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

For the committee,

JENNIFER E. BENSON.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act authorizing the town of Littleton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on premises.

*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 Section 17 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, the  
2 licensing authority of the town of Littleton may grant one additional license for the sale of all  
3 alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to Section 15 of said Chapter 138.  
4 The license shall be subject to all of said Chapter 138, except said section 17.

5           (b) The licensing authority of the town of Littleton shall only grant the license to persons,  
6 corporations, organization and entities operating a business located within the district known as  
7 the Littleton Common, as more specifically shown on a plan on file with the Board of Selectmen  
8 of the town of Littleton.

9           (c) The licensing authority of the town of Littleton shall not approve the transfer of the  
10 license granted pursuant to this act to person, corporation, organization or entity for a period of  
11 three (3) years from the date of issuance; provided, however, that after three (3) years, the  
12 licensing authority shall not approve a transfer of the license to a location outside of the Littleton  
13 Common.

14 (d) If a license granted pursuant to this act is revoked, cancelled, forfeited or surrendered  
15 it shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights and privileges pertaining thereto, to the  
16 licensing authority of the town of Littleton. The licensing authority may then grant the license to  
17 a new applicant operating within the Littleton Common only, under the same conditions as  
18 specified in this section provided that the applicant files with the licensing authority a letter from  
19 the department of revenue and a letter from the department of unemployment assistance  
20 indicating that the licensee is in good standing with those departments and that all applicable  
21 taxes, fees, and contributions have been paid..

22 (e) The license issued pursuant to this act shall be clearly marked “Littleton Common  
23 Only” and contain as a condition to issuance, the restriction on transfers set forth in subsection  
24 (c) of this act. The issuance or transfer of the license must comply with Chapter 138 of the  
25 General Laws.

26 (f) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this act shall not prohibit the licensing authority of the  
27 town of Littleton from modifying, suspending, revoking, or cancelling a license issued pursuant  
28 to this act as permitted in Chapter 138 of the General Laws.

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