

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4546**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Timothy R. Madden and Daniel A. Wolf*

*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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act authorizing the board of selectmen of the town of Tisbury to grant licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to certain restaurants.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Timothy R. Madden*

*Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket*

*Daniel A. Wolf*

*Cape and Islands*

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By Representative Madden of Nantucket and Senator Wolf, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4546) of Timothy R. Madden and Daniel A. Wolf (by vote of the town) that the town of Tisbury be authorized to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act authorizing the board of selectmen of the town of Tisbury to grant licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to certain restaurants.

*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. Chapter 187 of the Acts of 2009 is hereby amended by inserting a section 3,  
2 as follows:

3 Section 3. Notwithstanding sections 11, 11A, and 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws  
4 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the Board of Selectmen may place upon the  
5 official ballot at the next state election the following question: "Shall the board of selectmen of  
6 the town of Tisbury be authorized to issue licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be  
7 drunk on the premises under the provisions of section 12 of chapter 138 of the General Laws to  
8 restaurants, including restaurants within inns and hotels, with seating capacities of not less than  
9 30 persons, to be consumed with meals only, and only to patrons who are seated at dining tables,  
10 and to grant seasonal licenses for the same as the selectmen may determine?"

11           If a majority of votes cast in answer to the question is in the affirmative, the town shall be  
12 taken to have authorized the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises of certain  
13 restaurants with seating capacities of not less than 30 persons, to be consumed with meals only  
14 as required by this act and to grant seasonal licenses for the same. The board of selectmen may  
15 from time to time issue regulations for the granting of licenses under this act and to define terms  
16 appropriate for that purpose.

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