

HOUSE No. 5214

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Steven S. Howitt and Paul R. Feeney

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 relative to the town of Norton to grant two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages, not to be drunk on the premises.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>7/28/2022</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>7/28/2022</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>7/28/2022</i>

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By Representative Howitt of Seekonk and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5214) of Steven S. Howitt, Paul R. Feeney and F. Jay Barrows (by vote of the town) that the town of Norton be authorized to grant two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to the town of Norton to grant two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages, not to be drunk on the 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. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17 of chapter 138 of the General
2 Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the licensing authority of the Town of
3 Norton is hereby authorized to issue two additional liquor licenses for the sale of all alcoholic
4 beverages not to be drunk on the premises under the provisions of section 15 of said chapter 138.
5 Said licenses shall be subject to all of the provisions of said chapter 138 except said section 17;
6 provided, however, that said licensing authority shall authorize one license to be exercised within
7 an area located on East Main Street between its intersection with Interstate 495 and the Town of
8 Easton line and one license to be exercised within an area located on Old Colony Road between
9 its intersection with North and South Worcester Streets and the Attleboro city line within the
10 Town, that said licenses shall not be transferred to any other section of Town, nor shall the
11 licensing authority authorize the transfer of such license within one year after the date of

12 issuance; and authorizing the Select Board to establish a liquor license review committee and a
13 competitive procedure for allocating liquor licenses that are now available or that may become
14 available in the future; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial
15 changes of form only to the bill, unless the Select Board approves amendments to the bill before
16 enactment by the General Court which are within the scope of the general public objectives of
17 the petition.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.