

SENATE No. 02231

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Twelve

An Act authorizing the town of Wenham to grant a license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages 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. Chapter 381 of the Acts of 2006, as most recently amended by Chapter 365
2 of the Acts of 2010, is hereby further amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new
3 section:-

4 “Section 3. Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, as it applies
5 to licenses, the licensing authority of the town of Wenham may grant 1 license for the sale of all
6 alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises under section 12 of said chapter 138 to John
7 Keohane d/b/a Wenham Tea House provided that said restaurant has a seating capacity of less
8 than 100 seats, provided that (a) the sale and consumption of such alcoholic beverages is
9 incidental to the service of a meal; (b) any restaurant holding such license does not contain a
10 lounge or bar; and (c) the holder of any such license complies with such other requirements and
11 conditions as the local licensing authority shall deem appropriate. The license shall be subject to

12 all of said chapter 138, except said section 17. Once issued, a license granted under this section
13 shall not be transferred to any other location and no license shall be re-issued to the same
14 location within 6 months from the date the prior license terminated unless the applicant files a
15 letter in writing from the department of revenue with the local licensing authority indicating the
16 prior licensee's good standing with said department."

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