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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

AN ACT

RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - REGULATION OF SALES

Introduced By: Representatives Gallison, Morrison, San Bento, Silva, and Edwards <u>Date Introduced:</u> January 11, 2012 <u>Referred To:</u> House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3-8-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-8 entitled "Regulation of
Sales" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3-8-1. Sales on Sundays and holidays -- Sales to underage persons, intoxicated 3 persons, and persons of intemperate habits. -- Licenses issued under this title shall not 4 5 authorize the sale or service of beverages on Sunday, nor on Christmas day excepting licensed taverns, clubs, victualing houses, and retail Class F licensed places when served with food to 6 7 guests, and except in places operated under a retail Class E license described in this title, and 8 excepting the sale of wine or winery products at retail pursuant to section 3-6-1.1(e)(4) by holders 9 of farmer-winery licenses and the serving of complimentary samples pursuant to section 3-6-10 1.1(g) by holders of farmer-winery licenses, except in cars or on passenger-carrying marine 11 vessels operated by holders of Class G licenses, and except as otherwise provided herein. The 12 department may limit the sale of beverages on passenger-carrying marine vessels to the hours 13 from twelve o'clock (12:00) p.m. to six o'clock (6:00) p.m. on those days; nor shall they authorize 14 the sale or delivery to any underaged person as defined in this title for purposes of sale, 15 possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages, either for his or her own use or for the use of 16 his or her parents, or of any other person; or the sale of beverages to any intoxicated persons or to 17 any person of notoriously intemperate habits. Places operating under a retail Class C license are 18 authorized to be open for the sale of alcoholic beverages upon Columbus day, Armistice day, 19 Victory day, provided however, that a local board of license may authorize places operating under

a Class C license to be open on New Year's day. A Class C licensee may serve beverages on 1 2 Sunday with the written approval of the local board of license, subject to the notice provisions of 3 section 3-5-17. Places operating under a retail Class A license are not authorized to be open for 4 the sale of alcoholic beverages upon Thanksgiving day and New Year's day. Provided, however, 5 that holders of Class A licenses may open from no earlier than twelve noon (12:00) p.m. to no 6 later than six o'clock (6:00) p.m. on Sundays, unless the following Monday is a holiday, in which event the holders may remain open no later than nine o'clock (9:00) p.m. the prior Sunday. 7 8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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- 1 This act would allow holders of Class A liquor licenses to remain open on Sundays until
- 2 9:00 p.m. if the following Monday is a holiday.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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