STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Introduced By: Representatives Williams, Almeida, Diaz, Hull, and Slater

Date Introduced: June 15, 2017

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3-7-23 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-7 entitled “Retail Licenses” is hereby amended to read as follows:

3-7-23. Closing hours for Class A licenses.

The following closing hours shall be observed by all Class A license holders:

(1) November 1 to May 31. No holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverage under that license between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. and seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. (local time), except on legal holiday eves at which time the closing hour shall be eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. In the city of Providence, no holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverages under that license between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. and nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. (local time), except on legal holiday eves at which time the closing hour shall be eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. When a legal holiday is celebrated on a Monday, the preceding Saturday shall be considered the holiday eve.

(2) June 1 to October 31. No holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverages under this license between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. and seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. (local time). In the city of Providence, no holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverages under that license between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. and nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. (local time).
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on September 1, 2017.
This act would provide that all Class A liquor license holders located in the city of Providence shall not be permitted to open for business until nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. This act would take effect on September 1, 2017.