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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

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RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES

Introduced By: Senator Walter S. Felag

Date Introduced: March 07, 2019

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Sections 3-7-14 and 3-7-14.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-7 entitled
2 "Retail Licenses" are hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **3-7-14. Class F license.**

4 (a) A retailer's Class F license authorizes the holder of the license to keep for sale and to
5 sell malt and vinous beverages on the premises, described in the license, at retail for consumption
6 on the premises where sold for a period of nineteen (19) hours, including Sunday. The license
7 may be issued to religious organizations, state ~~non-business~~ corporations, limited liability
8 companies (LLCs), sole proprietorships and political organizations only and the sale of malt and
9 vinous beverages may take place between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and one o'clock
10 (1:00) a.m. on the following day, provided that no more than twelve (12) licenses shall be issued
11 to any organization, corporation, LLC, sole proprietorship or political organization in any one
12 calendar year; and provided further that, as to each such entity, this limit of twelve (12) licenses
13 per calendar year shall apply collectively to such entity and its officers, directors, principals,
14 affiliates, employees and agents. Class F licenses shall not be granted to any person or entity
15 holding any other liquor license. The fee for each retailer's Class F license is fifteen dollars
16 (\$15.00).

17 (b) The issuing authority may, in its discretion, permit applicants to file a single annual
18 application for issuance of up to twelve (12) event licenses for a calendar year and the authority
19 may issue such licenses concurrently; provided that, each event license shall state the specific

1 event date with which it is associated; and provided further that, the applicant shall pay the
2 collective amount of the event license fees, fifteen dollars (\$15.00) multiplied by the number of
3 licenses issued, at the time of issuance.

4 **3-7-14.1. Class F-1 license.**

5 (a) A retailer's Class F-1 license authorizes the holder of the license to keep for sale and
6 to sell alcoholic beverages on the premises, described in the license, at retail for consumption on
7 the premises where sold for a period of nineteen (19) hours, including Sunday. The license may
8 be issued to religious organizations, state ~~non-business~~ corporations, limited liability companies
9 (LLCs), sole proprietorships and political organizations only and the sale of beverages may take
10 place between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and one o'clock (1:00) a.m. on the following
11 day; provided that, no more than twelve (12) licenses shall be issued to any organization,
12 corporation, LLC, sole proprietorship or political organization in any one calendar year; and
13 provided further, that as to each such entity, this limit of twelve (12) licenses per calendar year
14 shall apply collectively to such entity and its officers, directors, principals, affiliates, employees
15 and agents. Class F-1 licenses shall not be granted to any person or entity holding any other liquor
16 license.

17 (b) The fee for the license is thirty-five dollars (\$35.00.)

18 (c) The issuing authority may, in its discretion, permit applicants to file a single annual
19 application for issuance of up to twelve (12) event licenses for a calendar year and the authority
20 may issue such licenses concurrently; provided that, each event license shall state the specific
21 event date with which it is associated; and provided further that, the applicant shall pay the
22 collective amount of the event license fees, thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) multiplied by the number
23 of licenses issued, at the time of issuance.

24 (d) Class F and F-1 license holders shall purchase alcohol for resale from Class A license
25 holders only.

26 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 provide that class F and F-1 liquor licenses may be issued to corporations,
- 2 LLCs, sole proprietorships and political organizations for sale and service of alcoholic beverages
- 3 for a period of nineteen (19) hours.
- 4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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