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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Introduced By: Senator Cynthia M. Mendes

Date Introduced: March 01, 2022

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 3-7-23 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-7 entitled "Retail Licenses"

2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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

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

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

17 (2) June 1 to October 31. No holder of a class A license shall sell or deliver beverages
18 under this license between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. and seven o'clock (7:00) a.m.
19 (local time). In the cities of Providence, ~~and~~ Central Falls, [and Pawtucket](#), no holder of a Class A

1 license shall sell or deliver beverages under that license between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00)
2 p.m. and nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. (local time).

3 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on September 1, 2022.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would amend the hours of operation for Class A liquor license holders in
2 Pawtucket.

3 This act would take effect on September 1, 2022.

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