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RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Introduced By: Representative Raymond H. Johnston

Date Introduced: March 01, 2017

Referred To: House Corporations

(by request)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1　　　　SECTION 1. Chapter 3-7 of the General Laws entitled "Retail Licenses" is hereby

2　　amended by adding thereto the following section:

3　　　　**3-7-29. Liquor liability insurance.**

4　　　　Any applicant or holder of any retail license for the sale of alcoholic beverages issued

5　　pursuant to this chapter, except those applicants for or holders of class F liquor licenses, or class

6　　AS liquor licenses and except as provided in §3-7-27, shall file with the application a certificate

7　　of insurance evidencing commercial general-liability and liquor liability and property damage

8　　coverage in the minimum amount of three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000). Failure to

9　　maintain insurance as required by this section, shall result in a revocation of the retail license

10　　unless the holder of the license reinstates insurance coverage within forty-eight (48) hours of

11　　notice of revocation. The certificate of insurance shall provide that the insurance shall not be

12　　modified or cancelled unless prior, advance notice is given to the licensing authority.

13　　　　SECTION 2. Section 3-7-27 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-7 entitled "Retail

14　　Licenses" is hereby amended to read as follows:

15　　　　**3-7-27. Insurance requirements.**

16　　　　(a) In the town of Burrillville, an applicant for a license under this chapter shall file with

17　　the application a certificate of insurance evidencing ~~comprehensive~~ commercial, general-liability

18　　and property damage coverage in the minimum amount of three hundred thousand dollars

19　　($300,000) ~~for bodily or personal injury and one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) for~~

1   ~~property damage~~; or for a minimum amount to be set by ordinance. The certificate shall provide

2   that the insurance shall not be modified or cancelled unless ~~thirty (30) days~~ prior, advance notice

3   is given to the town of Burrillville and that the town of Burrillville is named as an additional

4   insured. A licensee must be insured by a carrier licensed in this state.

5   (b) In the town of North Providence, an applicant for a license under this chapter shall

6   file with the application a certificate of insurance evidencing ~~comprehensive~~ commercial,

7   general-liability and property damage coverage in the minimum amount of three hundred

8   thousand dollars ($300,000) ~~for bodily or personal injury and one hundred thousand dollars~~

9   ~~($100,000) for property damage~~; or for a minimum amount to be set by ordinance. The certificate

10   shall provide that the insurance shall not be modified or cancelled unless prior, advance notice is

11   given to the town of North Providence, according to the terms of the insurance policy, and that

12   the town of North Providence is named as an additional insured. A licensee must be insured by a

13   carrier licensed in this state.

14   SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on August 1, 2017, and shall apply to any new or

15   renewed license issued or renewed on or after August 1, 2017.

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EXPLANATION

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1   This act would require any applicant or holder of a retail license for the sale of alcoholic

2   beverages, except for those holders of class F or AS liquor licenses, to file a certificate of

3   insurance and maintain commercial general liability insurance as a condition of holding a retail

4   license. Insurance coverage shall be no less than three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000). This

5   act would further amend §3-7-27 and would require minimum coverage of three hundred

6   thousand dollars ($300,000).

7   This act would take effect on August 1, 2017, and would apply to any new or renewed

8   license issued or renewed on or after August 1, 2017.

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