

No. 146. An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to alcoholic beverage laws.

(H.956)

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 221 is amended to read:

§ 221. FIRST-CLASS LICENSES

(a)(1) With the approval of the Board of Liquor and Lottery, the control commissioners may grant a first-class license to a retail dealer for the premises where the dealer carries on business if the retail dealer submits an application and pays the fee provided in section 204 of this title and satisfies the Board that the premises:

(A) are leased, rented, or owned by the retail dealer; and

(B) are devoted primarily to dispensing meals to the public and have adequate and sanitary space and equipment for preparing and serving meals, except in the case of clubs or holders of a manufacturer's or rectifier's license; ~~and~~

~~(C) have adequate and sanitary space and equipment for preparing and serving meals.~~

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Sec. 2. 7 V.S.A. § 223 is amended to read:

§ 223. THIRD-CLASS LICENSES

(a) The Board of Liquor and Lottery may grant to a person who operates a hotel, restaurant, club, boat, or railroad dining car, or who holds a manufacturer's or rectifier's license, a third-class license if:

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(3) the applicant satisfies the Board that:

(A) the applicant is the bona fide owner or lessee of the premises, boat, or railroad dining car;

(B) except in the case of clubs or holders of a manufacturer's or rectifier's license, the premises, boat, or railroad dining car has adequate and sanitary space and equipment for preparing and serving meals to the public; and

(C) the premises, boat, or railroad dining car is operated for the purpose covered by the license.

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Sec. 3. 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 51 is amended to read:

Sec. 51. EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) Sec. 47 (special event permits) and Sec. 50 (repeal of manufacturer grandfather provision) shall take effect on ~~July 1, 2020~~ July 1, 2021.

(b) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

Date Governor signed bill: July 13, 2020