

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3847**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Kate Hogan*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act authorizing the town of Hudson to grant five additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Kate Hogan*

*3rd Middlesex*

*James B. Eldridge*

*Middlesex and Worcester*

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By Ms. Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3847) of Kate Hogan and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town) that the town of Hudson be authorized to grant five additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act authorizing the town of Hudson to grant five additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the  
2   licensing authority of the town of Hudson may grant 5 additional licenses for the sale of all  
3   alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 12 of said section 138, to  
4   establishments located within the town’s C1 Zoning District as that district is defined by the  
5   town’s zoning map, as it existed as of January 1, 2019, subject to the conditions set by the  
6   licensing authority of the town of Hudson. A license granted pursuant to this act shall be clearly  
7   marked on its face “C1 Zoning District” and shall be subject to all of said chapter 138 except  
8   said section 17.

9           (b) A license granted under this section shall only be exercised in the dining room of a  
10   common victualler and in such other public rooms or areas as may be deemed reasonable and  
11   appropriate by the licensing authority as certified in writing.

12           (c) The licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of a license granted pursuant to  
13 this act to a location outside of the town’s C1 Zoning District, but it may grant a license to a new  
14 applicant within the C1 Zoning District if the applicant files with the licensing authority a letter  
15 from the department of revenue and a letter from the department of unemployment assistance  
16 indicating that the license is in good standing with those departments and that all applicable  
17 taxes, fees and contributions have been paid.

18           (d) If a license granted pursuant to this act is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, the  
19 license shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions  
20 pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority and the licensing authority may then grant the  
21 license to a new applicant in the town’s C1 Zoning District under the same conditions as  
22 specified in this act.

23           (e) All licenses granted pursuant to this act shall be issued within 3 years after the  
24 effective date of this act; provided, however, that a license originally granted within that time  
25 period may be granted to a new applicant pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) thereafter.

26           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.