THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 986

Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY AUMENT, YAW, MARTIN, ROBINSON, J. WARD, SCAVELLO, BAKER, HUTCHINSON, BROOKS, MENSCH, PITTMAN, STEFANO, PHILLIPS-HILL AND BARTOLOTTA, DECEMBER 29, 2021

REFERRED TO LAW AND JUSTICE, DECEMBER 29, 2021

AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled "An 1 act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and 2 brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and 3 changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession, 5 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic 7 liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the 8 9 persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing 10 for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores, 11 for the payment of certain license fees to the respective 12 municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain 13 nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure 14 without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures; 15 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," in 16 licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and 17 brewed beverages, further providing for license fees. 18 19 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 20 hereby enacts as follows: 21 Section 1. Section 405 of the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, is amended by adding a 23 subsection to read: 24 Section 405. License Fees. --* * *
- 25 (a.1) The 2021 license fee shall be waived for hotel and

- 1 <u>restaurant liquor licensees which were closed as the result of</u>
- 2 the proclamation of disaster emergency issued by the Governor on
- 3 March 6, 2020, published at 50 Pa.B. 1644 (March 21, 2020), and
- 4 any renewal of the state of disaster emergency. If a hotel or
- 5 restaurant licensee subject to this subsection paid the 2021
- 6 <u>license fee, the fee shall be credited toward the 2022 license</u>
- 7 fee.
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- 9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.