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Introduced by M. of A. KAVANAGH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Economic Development

AN ACT to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to creating a liaison between the state liquor authority and local community boards and providing a sixty day notification period for community boards before the issuance of a new license, renewal of a license or alteration of a license

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The alcoholic beverage control law is amended by adding a
2 new section 20 to read as follows:
3 S 20. AUTHORITY COMMUNITY LIAISON. 1. THE AUTHORITY SHALL APPOINT A
4 COMMUNITY LIAISON FOR EACH COMMUNITY BOARD IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.
5 2. THE COMMUNITY LIAISON IS REQUIRED TO ENSURE THAT THE COMMUNITY
6 BOARD RECEIVES ALL PROPER NOTIFICATIONS OF LICENSE ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL
7 THAT ARE REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER.
8 3. THE COMMUNITY LIAISON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:
9 A. REGULARLY ATTENDING THE MEETINGS OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD FOR WHICH
10 HE OR SHE IS ACTING AS THE LIAISON;
11 B. SUBMITTING REPORTS TO THE AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO ISSUES OF
12 CONCERN OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD FOR WHICH HE OR SHE IS THE LIAISON;
13 C. SUBMITTING ANY COMMUNITY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE AUTHORITY;
14 AND
15 D. INFORMING THE COMMUNITY BOARD OF EVERY REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
16 OF THE LIQUOR AUTHORITY AND PROVIDING AN AGENDA FOR SUCH MEETING AT
17 LEAST FIFTEEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.
18 S 2. Subdivision 2-a of section 55 of the alcoholic beverage control
19 law, as amended by chapter 213 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read
20 as follows:
21 2-a. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, upon receipt
22 in the city of New York of an application for a license under this

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 section, an application for renewal under section one hundred nine of
2 this chapter, or an application for an alteration to a premises licensed
3 for consumption on the premises under section ninety-nine-d of this
4 chapter, the applicant shall notify the community board established
5 pursuant to section twenty-eight hundred of the New York city charter
6 with jurisdiction over the area in which such licensed premises is to be
7 located by certified mail return receipt requested, overnight delivery
8 service with proof of mailing, or personal service, wherein the prospec-
9 tive licensed premises is to be located or, in the case of an applica-
10 tion for A NEW LICENSE, A renewal OF A LICENSE, or alteration OF A
11 LICENSE where it is presently located [not less than thirty days prior
12 to the submission of its application for a license under this section or
13 for a renewal thereof pursuant to section one hundred nine of this chap-
14 ter]. Such community board may express an opinion for or against the
15 granting of such license. Any such opinion shall be deemed part of the
16 record upon which the liquor board makes its determination to grant or
17 deny such license. NO SUCH LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED NEW, RENEWED OR
18 ALTERED UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY BOARD
19 HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

20 S 3. Subdivision 2-a of section 64 of the alcoholic beverage control
21 law, as amended by chapter 213 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read
22 as follows:

23 2-a. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, upon receipt
24 of an application for a license under this section, an application for
25 renewal under section one hundred nine of this chapter, or an applica-
26 tion for an alteration to a premises licensed for consumption on the
27 premises under section ninety-nine-d of this chapter, the applicant
28 shall notify the clerk of the village, town or city, as the case may be,
29 by certified mail return receipt requested, overnight delivery service
30 with proof of mailing, or personal service, wherein the prospective
31 licensed premises is to be located or, in the case of an application for
32 renewal, or alteration where it is presently located [not less than
33 thirty days prior to the submission of its application for a license
34 under this section or for a renewal thereof pursuant to section one
35 hundred nine of this chapter]. For the purposes of the preceding
36 sentence notification need only be given to the clerk of a village when
37 such premises is to be located within the boundaries of the village. In
38 the city of New York, the community board established pursuant to
39 section twenty-eight hundred of the New York city charter with jurisdic-
40 tion over the area in which such licensed premises is to be located
41 shall be considered the appropriate public body to which notification
42 shall be given. Such municipality or community board, as the case may
43 be, may express an opinion for or against the granting of such license.
44 Any such opinion shall be deemed part of the record upon which the
45 liquor board makes its determination to grant or deny such license. IN
46 THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NO SUCH LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED NEW, RENEWED OR
47 ALTERED UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY BOARD
48 HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

49 S 4. Paragraph (f) of subdivision 7 of section 64 of the alcoholic
50 beverage control law, as amended by chapter 463 of the laws of 2009, is
51 amended to read as follows:

52 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b) of this subdivi-
53 sion, the authority may issue a license pursuant to this section for a
54 premises which shall be within five hundred feet of three or more exist-
55 ing premises licensed and operating pursuant to this section and
56 sections sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-four-d

1 of this article if, after consultation with the municipality or communi-
2 ty board, it determines that granting such license would be in the
3 public interest. Before it may issue any such license, the authority
4 shall conduct a hearing, upon notice to the applicant and the municipi-
5 pality or community board, and shall state and file in its office its
6 reasons therefor. Notice to the municipality or community board shall
7 mean written notice mailed by the authority to such municipality or
8 community board at least fifteen days in advance of any hearing sched-
9 uled pursuant to this paragraph. Upon the request of the authority, any
10 municipality or community board may waive the fifteen day notice
11 requirement. No premises having been granted a license pursuant to this
12 section shall be denied a renewal of such license upon the grounds that
13 such premises are within five hundred feet of a building or buildings
14 wherein three or more premises are licensed and operating pursuant to
15 this section and sections sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c,
16 and/or sixty-four-d of this article. NO LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED PURSU-
17 ANT TO THIS SECTION UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPROPRIATE
18 COMMUNITY BOARD HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

19 S 5. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 7 of section 64-a of the alcoholic
20 beverage control law, as amended by chapter 463 of the laws of 2009, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph
23 (a) of this subdivision, the authority may issue a license pursuant to
24 this section for a premises which shall be within five hundred feet of
25 three or more existing premises licensed and operating pursuant to this
26 section and sections sixty-four, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or
27 sixty-four-d of this article if, after consultation with the municipi-
28 pality or community board, it determines that granting such license
29 would be in the public interest. Before it may issue any such license,
30 the authority shall conduct a hearing, upon notice to the applicant and
31 the municipality or community board, and shall state and file in its
32 office its reasons therefor. Notice to the municipality or community
33 board shall mean written notice mailed by the authority to such municipi-
34 pality or community board at least fifteen days in advance of any hear-
35 ing scheduled pursuant to this paragraph. Upon the request of the
36 authority, any municipality or community board may waive the fifteen day
37 notice requirement. No premises having been granted a license pursuant
38 to this section shall be denied a renewal of such license upon the
39 grounds that such premises are within five hundred feet of a building or
40 buildings wherein three or more premises are licensed and operating
41 pursuant to this section and sections sixty-four, sixty-four-b, sixty-
42 four-c, and/or sixty-four-d of this article. NO LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED
43 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPROPRIATE
44 COMMUNITY BOARD HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

45 S 6. Subdivision 3 of section 64-c of the alcoholic beverage control
46 law, as amended by chapter 213 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read
47 as follows:

48 3. Upon receipt of an original or a renewal application for a license
49 under this section, the applicant shall notify the clerk of the village,
50 town or city, as the case may be, by certified mail return receipt
51 requested, overnight delivery service with proof of mailing, or personal
52 service, wherein the prospective licensed premises is to be located or,
53 in the case of an application for renewal, where it is presently located
54 [not less than thirty days prior to the submission of its application
55 for a license under this section or for a renewal thereof]. For the
56 purposes of the preceding sentence notification need only be given to

1 the clerk of a village when such premises is to be located within the
2 boundaries of the village. In the city of New York, the community board
3 established pursuant to section twenty-eight hundred of the New York
4 city charter with jurisdiction over the area in which such licensed
5 premises is to be located shall be considered the appropriate public
6 body to which notification shall be given. Such municipality or communi-
7 ty board, as the case may be, may express an opinion for or against the
8 granting of such license. Any such opinion shall be deemed part of the
9 record upon which the liquor authority makes its determination to grant
10 or deny such license. IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NO SUCH LICENSE SHALL BE
11 ISSUED NEW, RENEWED OR ALTERED UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE
12 APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY BOARD HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

13 S 7. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 11 of section 64-c of the alcoholic
14 beverage control law, as amended by chapter 463 of the laws of 2009, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph
17 (a) of this subdivision, the authority may issue a license pursuant to
18 this section for a premises which shall be within five hundred feet of
19 three or more existing premises licensed and operating pursuant to this
20 section and sections sixty-four, sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b and/or
21 sixty-four-d of this article if, after consultation with the munici-
22 pality or community board, it determines that granting such license
23 would be in the public interest. Before it may issue any such license,
24 the authority shall conduct a hearing, upon notice to the applicant and
25 the municipality or community board, and shall state and file in its
26 office its reasons therefor. Notice to the municipality or community
27 board shall mean written notice mailed by the authority to such munici-
28 pality or community board at least fifteen days in advance of any hear-
29 ing scheduled pursuant to this paragraph. Upon the request of the
30 authority, any municipality or community board may waive the fifteen day
31 notice requirement. No premises having been granted a license pursuant
32 to this section shall be denied a renewal of such license upon the
33 grounds that such premises are within five hundred feet of a building or
34 buildings wherein three or more premises are operating and licensed
35 pursuant to this section or sections sixty-four, sixty-four-a, sixty-
36 four-b and/or sixty-four-d of this article. NO LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED
37 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPROPRIATE
38 COMMUNITY BOARD HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

39 S 8. Subdivision 3 of section 64-d of the alcoholic beverage control
40 law, as amended by chapter 213 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read
41 as follows:

42 3. Upon receipt of an original or a renewal application for a license
43 under this section, the applicant shall notify the clerk of the village,
44 town or city, as the case may be, by certified mail return receipt
45 requested, overnight delivery service with proof of mailing, or personal
46 service, wherein the prospective licensed premises is to be located or,
47 in the case of an application for renewal, where it is presently
48 located[, not less than thirty days prior to the submission of its
49 application for a license under this section or for a renewal thereof].
50 For the purposes of the preceding sentence notification need only be
51 given to the clerk of a village when such premises is to be located
52 within the boundaries of the village. In the city of New York, the
53 community board established pursuant to section twenty-eight hundred of
54 the New York city charter with jurisdiction over the area in which such
55 licensed premises is to be located shall be considered the appropriate
56 public body to which notification shall be given. Such municipality or

1 community board, as the case may be, may express an opinion for or
2 against the granting of such license. Any such opinion shall be deemed
3 part of the record upon which the liquor authority makes its determi-
4 nation to grant or deny such license. NO SUCH LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED
5 NEW, RENEWED OR ALTERED UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPROPRIATE
6 COMMUNITY BOARD HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

7 S 9. Subdivision 1-a of section 81 of the alcoholic beverage control
8 law, as amended by chapter 213 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read
9 as follows:

10 1-a. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, upon receipt
11 in the city of New York of an application for a license under this
12 section, an application for renewal under section one hundred nine of
13 this chapter, or an application for an alteration to a premises licensed
14 for consumption on the premises under section ninety-nine-d of this
15 chapter, the applicant shall notify the community board established
16 pursuant to section twenty-eight hundred of the New York city charter
17 with jurisdiction over the area in which such licensed premises is to be
18 located by certified mail return receipt requested, overnight delivery
19 service with proof of mailing, or personal service, wherein the prospec-
20 tive licensed premises is to be located or, in the case of an applica-
21 tion for renewal, or alteration where it is presently located [not less
22 than thirty days prior to the submission of its application for a
23 license under this section or for a renewal thereof pursuant to section
24 one hundred nine of this chapter]. Such community board may express an
25 opinion for or against the granting of such license. Any such opinion
26 shall be deemed part of the record upon which the liquor board makes its
27 determination to grant or deny such license. NO SUCH LICENSE SHALL BE
28 ISSUED NEW, RENEWED OR ALTERED UNTIL AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE
29 APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY BOARD HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

30 S 10. This act shall take effect immediately.