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Introduced by M. of A. LENTOL -- read once and referred to the Committee  
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AN ACT to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to the  
granting of retail licenses for on-premises consumption

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

1     Section 1.     Subdivision 7 of section 64 of the alcoholic beverage  
2 control law, as amended by chapter 463 of the laws of 2009, paragraph  
3 (e-4) as added by chapter 421 of the laws of 2012, paragraph (e-5) as  
4 added by chapter 110 of the laws of 2013, paragraph (e-5) as added by  
5 chapter 192 of the laws of 2013, paragraph (e-6) as added by chapter 100  
6 of the laws of 2014, paragraph (e-6) as added by chapter 457 of the laws  
7 of 2014, and paragraph (f) as amended by chapter 185 of the laws of  
8 2012, is amended to read as follows:  
9     7. No retail license for on-premises consumption shall be granted for  
10 any premises which shall be  
11     (a) on the same street or avenue and within [two] THREE hundred FIFTY  
12 feet of a building occupied exclusively as a school, COMMUNITY CENTER,  
13 SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, church, synagogue or other place of worship or  
14     (b) in a city, town or village having a population of twenty thousand  
15 or more within [five] SIX hundred FIFTY feet of three or more existing  
16 premises licensed and operating pursuant to this section and sections  
17 sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-four-d of this  
18 article;  
19     (c) the measurements in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subdivision are  
20 to be taken in straight lines from the center of the nearest entrance of  
21 the premises sought to be licensed to the center of the nearest entrance  
22 of such school, COMMUNITY CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, church, syna-  
23 gogue or other place of worship or to the center of the nearest entrance  
24 of each such premises licensed and operating pursuant to this section  
25 and sections sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-

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

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1 four-d of this article; except, however, that no renewal license shall  
2 be denied because of such restriction to any premises so located which  
3 were maintained as a bona fide hotel, restaurant, catering establishment  
4 or club on or prior to December fifth, nineteen hundred thirty-three;  
5 and, except that no license shall be denied to any premises at which a  
6 license under this chapter has been in existence continuously from a  
7 date prior to the date when a building on the same street or avenue and  
8 within two hundred feet of said premises has been occupied exclusively  
9 as a school, COMMUNITY CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, church, syna-  
10 gogue or other place of worship; and except that no license shall be  
11 denied to any premises, which is within five hundred feet of three or  
12 more existing premises licensed and operating pursuant to this section  
13 and sections sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-  
14 four-d of this article, at which a license under this chapter has been  
15 in existence continuously on or prior to November first, nineteen  
16 hundred ninety-three; and except that this subdivision shall not be  
17 deemed to restrict the issuance of a hotel liquor license to a building  
18 used as a hotel and in which a restaurant liquor license currently  
19 exists for premises which serve as a dining room for guests of the hotel  
20 and a caterer's license to a person using the permanent catering facili-  
21 ties of a church, synagogue or other place of worship pursuant to a  
22 written agreement between such person and the authorities in charge of  
23 such facilities. The liquor authority, in its discretion, may authorize  
24 the removal of any such licensed premises to a different location on the  
25 same street or avenue, within two hundred feet of said school, COMMUNITY  
26 CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, church, synagogue or other place of  
27 worship, provided that such new location is not within a closer distance  
28 to such school, church, synagogue or other place of worship.

29 (d) Within the context of this subdivision, the word "entrance" shall  
30 mean a door of a school, OF A COMMUNITY CENTER, OF A SENIOR CITIZENS'  
31 CENTER, of a house of worship, or of premises licensed and operating  
32 pursuant to this section and sections sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b,  
33 sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-four-d of this article or of the premises  
34 sought to be licensed, regularly used to give ingress to students of the  
35 school, TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC VISITING THE COMMUNITY CENTER OR SENIOR  
36 CITIZENS' CENTER, to the general public attending the place of worship,  
37 and to patrons or guests of the premises licensed and operating pursuant  
38 to this section and sections sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c,  
39 and/or sixty-four-d of this article or of the premises sought to be  
40 licensed, except that where a school or house of worship or premises  
41 licensed and operating pursuant to this section and sections  
42 sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-four-d of this  
43 article or the premises sought to be licensed is set back from a public  
44 thoroughfare, the walkway or stairs leading to any such door shall be  
45 deemed an entrance; and the measurement shall be taken to the center of  
46 the walkway or stairs at the point where it meets the building line or  
47 public thoroughfare. A door which has no exterior hardware, or which is  
48 used solely as an emergency or fire exit, or for maintenance purposes,  
49 or which leads directly to a part of a building not regularly used by  
50 the general public or patrons, is not deemed an "entrance".

51 (d-1) Within the context of this subdivision, a building occupied as a  
52 place of worship does not cease to be "exclusively" occupied as a place  
53 of worship by incidental uses that are not of a nature to detract from  
54 the predominant character of the building as a place of worship, such  
55 uses which include, but which are not limited to: the conduct of legally  
56 authorized games of bingo or other games of chance held as a means of

1 raising funds for the not-for-profit religious organization which  
2 conducts services at the place of worship or for other not-for-profit  
3 organizations or groups; use of the building for fund-raising perform-  
4 ances by or benefitting the not-for-profit religious organization which  
5 conducts services at the place of worship or other not-for-profit organ-  
6 izations or groups; the use of the building by other religious organiza-  
7 tions or groups for religious services or other purposes; the conduct of  
8 social activities by or for the benefit of the congregants; the use of  
9 the building for meetings held by organizations or groups providing  
10 bereavement counseling to persons having suffered the loss of a loved  
11 one, or providing advice or support for conditions or diseases includ-  
12 ing, but not limited to, alcoholism, drug addiction, cancer, cerebral  
13 palsy, Parkinson's disease, or Alzheimer's disease; the use of the  
14 building for blood drives, health screenings, health information meet-  
15 ings, yoga classes, exercise classes or other activities intended to  
16 promote the health of the congregants or other persons; and use of the  
17 building by non-congregant members of the community for private social  
18 functions. The building occupied as a place of worship does not cease to  
19 be "exclusively" occupied as a place of worship where the not-for-profit  
20 religious organization occupying the place of worship accepts the  
21 payment of funds to defray costs related to another party's use of the  
22 building.

23 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter to the contrary,  
24 the authority may issue a license to sell liquor at retail to be  
25 consumed on premises to a club as such term is defined in subdivision  
26 nine of section three of this chapter whether or not the building in  
27 which the premises for which such license is to be issued is used exclu-  
28 sively for club purposes and whether or not such premises is within  
29 [two] THREE hundred FIFTY feet of a building used exclusively as a  
30 school, COMMUNITY CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, church, synagogue or  
31 place of worship if such club is affiliated or associated with such  
32 school, COMMUNITY CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, church, synagogue or  
33 place of worship and the governing body of such school, COMMUNITY  
34 CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, church, synagogue or other place of  
35 worship has filed written notice with the authority that it has no  
36 objection to the issuance of such license.

37 (e-1) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivi-  
38 sion, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises consump-  
39 tion for a premises which shall be within two hundred feet of a building  
40 occupied exclusively as a church, synagogue or other place of worship,  
41 provided such premises constitutes a premises for the sale of food or  
42 beverages at retail for consumption on the premises and/or an overnight  
43 lodging facility located wholly within the boundaries of the borough of  
44 Manhattan in the city and county of New York, bounded and described as  
45 follows:

46 BEGINNING at a point on the southerly side of 49th Street, distant 160  
47 feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly  
48 side of 49th Street with the easterly side of 8th Avenue; running  
49 thence southerly, parallel with 8th Avenue and part of the distance  
50 through a party wall, 100 feet 5 inches to the center line of the block  
51 between 48th and 49th Streets; thence easterly along the center line of  
52 the block, 40 feet; thence northerly, parallel with 8th Avenue and part  
53 of the distance through a party wall, 100 feet 5 inches to the southerly  
54 side of 49th Street; thence westerly along the southerly side of 49th  
55 Street, 40 feet to the point or place of beginning. Premises known as  
56 240 and 242 West 49th Street, New York City. Being the same premises

described in deed made by Hotel Mayfair Inc. to Harry Etkin and Freda Rubin, dated 1/23/50 and recorded 1/27/50 in liber 4657 Cp. 250.

(e-2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivision, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises consumption for a premises which shall be within two hundred feet of a building occupied exclusively as a church, synagogue or other place of worship, provided such premises constitutes a premises for the sale of food or beverages at retail for consumption on the premises located wholly within the boundaries of the county of Ulster, bounded and described as follows:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, with the buildings and improvements erected thereon, situated in the Village of Ellenville, Town of Wawarsing, County of Ulster and State of New York, being further bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a three-quarter inch diameter iron rod found on the southwesterly bounds of Canal Street, marking the northeasterly corner of the lands, now or formerly, John Georges, as described in liber 2645 of deeds at page 278.

Thence along the southeasterly bounds of the lands of John Georges, passing 1.42 feet northwesterly from the southwesterly corner of the building situated on the premises described herein, South thirty-nine degrees, forty-one minutes, fifty-two seconds West, one hundred fifty and zero hundredths feet (S 39-41-52 W, 150.00') to the northeasterly bounds of the lands, now or formerly, Thomas Powers, as described in liber 1521 of deeds at page 749. Thence along the northeasterly bounds of the lands of Thomas Powers, South fifty degrees, thirty-nine minutes, sixteen seconds East, twenty-eight and zero hundredths feet (S 50-39-16 E, 28.00').

Thence passing 1.92 feet southeasterly from the southeasterly corner of the building situated on the premises described herein. North thirty-nine degrees, forty-one minutes, fifty-two seconds East, one hundred fifty and zero hundredths feet (N 39-41-52 E, 150.00') to the southwesterly bounds of Canal Street.

Thence along the southwesterly bounds of Canal Street, North fifty degrees, thirty-nine minutes, sixteen seconds West, twenty-eight and zero hundredths feet (N 50-39-16 W, 28.00') to the point of beginning.

Containing 4,199.92 square feet of land or 0.0996 of an acre of land.

Being the same premises as conveyed by deed dated September 2, 1999 from Chris M. Camio as Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Alice Manzo to Bill Lelbach, John Eckert, Jeffrey Schneider, Jack Harris and Alfred S. Dannhauser and recorded in the Ulster County Clerk's Office on September 15, 1999 in Liber 2966 at page 291.

The undivided interests of John Harris and Alfred S. Dannhauser having been conveyed to Bill Lelbach by deed dated August 21, 2001 and recorded in the Ulster County Clerk's Office in Liber 3213 p 65.

(e-3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivision, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises consumption for a premises which shall be within [two] THREE hundred FIFTY feet of a building occupied exclusively as a school, provided such premises constitutes a premises for the sale of food or beverages at retail for consumption on the premises and/or an overnight lodging facility located wholly within the boundaries of the borough of Manhattan in the city and county of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of 46th street, distant three hundred fifty (350) feet westerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly side of Sixth Avenue with the said souther-

1 ly side of 46th street. Running thence southerly parallel with the said  
2 westerly side of Sixth Avenue and for part of the distance through a  
3 party wall, one hundred (100) feet four (4) inches; thence westerly  
4 parallel with the southerly side of 46th street, eighty (80) feet;  
5 thence northerly again parallel with the westerly side of Sixth Avenue,  
6 one hundred (100) feet four (4) inches to the southerly side of 46th  
7 street; and thence easterly along the said southerly side of 46th  
8 street, eighty (80) feet to the point or place of beginning. Premises  
9 known as 130 West 46th Street, New York City. Being the same premises  
10 described in deed made by Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company to  
11 West 46th Street Hotel, LLC, dated 12/22/06 and recorded 2/06/07 in the  
12 Office of the City Register, New York County, on February 6, 2007 as  
13 CFRN 2007000069808.

14 (e-4) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivi-  
15 sion, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises consump-  
16 tion for a premises which shall be located within two hundred feet of a  
17 building occupied exclusively as a church, synagogue or other place of  
18 worship, provided such premises constitutes a premises for the sale of  
19 food or beverages at retail for consumption on the premises located  
20 wholly within the boundaries of the county of Ulster, bounded and  
21 described as follows:

22 THOSE THREE BUILDING LOTS situate on the northeasterly side of Union  
23 Avenue in the city of Kingston, between Thomas and Cornell Streets,  
24 known and distinguished upon a map of the property of the estate of said  
25 Thomas Cornell made by B.B. Codwise, Civil Engineer, bearing date April  
26 11th, 1888, as lot five (5) six (6) and seven (7) upon said map, and  
27 bounded and described as follows:

28 BEGINNING at the west corner of lot seven which is also the corner of  
29 Cornell Street, where it intersects with Union Avenue, and runs from  
30 thence in the southerly bounds of Cornell Street, N. 48 degrees 10' east  
31 the distance of one hundred and thirty-eight (138) feet, to the south  
32 bounds of lot (8) eight as laid down upon said map, thence along in the  
33 south bounds of lot (8) aforesaid S. 41 degrees 50' east along the rear  
34 of lots seven, six and five (7, 6 & 5) as aforesaid the distance of  
35 seventy-two (72) feet to a lot of land owned by Max Oppenheimer and  
36 known on said map as lot four (4); thence in the division line between  
37 lot four and five as laid down upon said map, south 48 degrees 10' W.  
38 one hundred and twenty-two (122) feet, and fifty-four hundredths of a  
39 foot (122 54/100 feet) to the northeasterly bounds of said Union Avenue;  
40 thence along in said northeasterly bounds of said Union Avenue north 53  
41 degrees 57' west along the front of said lots five, six and seven (5, 6  
42 & 7) the distance of seventy-three feet and sixty-five hundredths of a  
43 foot (73 65/100 feet) to the place of beginning; and a part of said  
44 premises being a part of the same that was conveyed to Thomas Cornell by  
45 Jansen Hasbrouck and wife bearing date March 3, 1877 and recorded in the  
46 office of the Clerk of Ulster County in book No. 204 of deeds at page  
47 403 March 6th, 1877, the balance of the property hereinbefore described  
48 and herein intended to be conveyed was conveyed to Thomas Cornell by  
49 James E. Ostrander and wife by deed bearing date February 8th, 1869, and  
50 recorded in Ulster County Clerk's Office in book 175 of deeds at page  
51 29, February 6th, 1872.

52 (e-5) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivi-  
53 sion, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises consump-  
54 tion for a premises which shall be located within two hundred feet of a  
55 building occupied exclusively as a school, provided such premises  
56 constitute a premises for the sale of food or beverages at retail for

consumption on the premises located wholly within the boundaries of the borough of Brooklyn in the county of Kings and the city of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Washington Avenue distant 636.45 feet southerly from the intersection of the southerly side of Eastern Parkway and westerly side of Washington Avenue, said point being the point of beginning; Running thence southerly along the westerly side of Washington Avenue, a distance of 345.43 feet; thence westerly along the line forming an interior angle with the previous course of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds, a distance of 122.68 feet; Thence northerly along the line forming an interior angle with the previous course of 58 degrees 50 minutes 53 seconds, a distance of 123.94 feet; Thence northerly along the line forming an exterior angle with the previous course of 159 degrees 18 minutes 33 seconds, a distance of 36.59 feet; Thence northerly along the line forming an exterior angle with the previous course of 169 degrees 36 minutes 23 seconds, a distance of 26.26 feet; Thence westerly along the line forming an exterior angle with the previous course of 123 degrees 49 minutes 33 seconds, a distance of 58.57 feet; Thence southwestwardly along the line forming an exterior angle with the previous course of 129 degrees 53 minutes 13 seconds, a distance of 108.38 feet; Thence westerly, a distance of 84.05 feet along a curve to the right, which has a radius of 192.59 feet, and having a central angle of 25°00'14"; Thence westerly, a distance of 58.94 feet along a curve to the right, which has a radius of 181.42 feet, and having a central angle of 18°36'54". Thence westerly, a distance of 354.56 feet; Thence northerly along the line forming an interior angle with the previous course of 90 degrees 14 minutes 09 seconds, a distance of 114.49 feet; Thence easterly along the line forming an exterior angle with the previous course of 286 degrees 53 minutes 22 seconds, a distance of 7.54 feet; Thence easterly along the line forming an interior angle with the previous course of 195 degrees 07 minutes 53 seconds, a distance of 159.88 feet; Thence easterly along the line forming an interior angle with the previous course of 193 degrees 52 minutes 57 seconds, a distance of 161.51 feet; Thence westerly along the line forming an interior angle with the previous course of 257 degrees 31 minutes 43 seconds, a distance of 116.17 feet; Thence northeasterly, a distance of 7.07 feet along a non-tangent curve to the right, having a radius of 4.50 feet, a central angle of 89°59'10" and a chord of 6.36 feet, which chord makes an interior angle with the previous course of 135 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds; Thence easterly along the line forming an interior angle with the chord of the above-referenced curve of 135 degrees 01 minutes 17 seconds, a distance of 135.59 feet; Thence easterly, a distance of 81.93 feet along a non-tangent curve to the left, having a radius of 272.93 feet, a central angle of 17°11'59" and a chord of 81.63 feet, which chord makes an interior angle with the previous course of 186 degrees 52 minutes 37 seconds; Thence easterly along the line forming an interior angle with the chord of the above-referenced curve of 192 degrees 21 minutes 11 seconds, a distance of 38.24 feet; Thence easterly along the line forming an interior angle with the previous course of 183 degrees 09 minutes 51 seconds, a distance of 21.53 feet to the point of beginning.

[(e-5)] (E-6) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivision, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises consumption for a premises which shall be located within two hundred feet of a building occupied exclusively as a church, synagogue or other place of worship, provided such premises constitutes a premises for the

1 sale of food or beverages at retail for consumption on the premises  
2 located wholly within the boundaries of the county of Kings, bounded and  
3 described as follows:

4 ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being  
5 in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York,  
6 bounded and described as follows:

7 BEGINNING at the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side  
8 of Synder Avenue, with the easterly side of Bedford Avenue;

9 THENCE easterly along the southerly side of Synder Avenue, 99 feet 10  
10 inches;

11 THENCE southerly parallel with Medford Avenue, 80 feet 11 1/6 inches to  
12 the center line of Union Street, as shown on the Bergen Map;

13 THENCE westerly along the center line of Union Street, as aforesaid, 99  
14 feet 10 inches to the easterly side of Bedford Avenue;

15 THENCE northerly along the easterly side of Bedford Avenue, 81 feet 1/8  
16 inches to the point or place of BEGINNING.

17 [(e-6)] (E-7) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this  
18 subdivision, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises  
19 consumption for a premises which shall be located within two hundred  
20 feet of a building occupied as a church, synagogue or other place of  
21 worship, provided such premises constitute a premises for the sale of  
22 food or beverages at retail for consumption on the premises located  
23 wholly within the boundaries of the county of Kings, bounded and  
24 described as follows:

25 BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of Grand Street, distant  
26 three hundred and nineteen feet and three inches easterly from the  
27 corner formed by the intersection of the northerly of Grand Street with  
28 the easterly side of Berry (formerly Third) Street, which point of  
29 beginning is where a line drawn along the easterly wall of the house now  
30 or formerly owned by one Schaefer intersects the northerly side of Grand  
31 Street; running thence northerly along the easterly wall of the house  
32 now or formerly owned by one Schaefer, seventy one feet and six inches;  
33 thence easterly nearly parallel with Grand Street, eighteen feet and  
34 five inches; thence southerly, seventy feet and seven inches to the  
35 northerly side of Grand Street at a point, sixteen feet easterly from  
36 the point of beginning; thence westerly along the northerly side of  
37 Grand Street, sixteen feet.

38 [(e-6)] (E-8) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this  
39 subdivision, the authority may issue a retail license for on-premises  
40 consumption for a premises provided such premises constitutes a premises  
41 for the sale of food or beverages at retail for consumption on the prem-  
42 ises located wholly within the boundaries of the borough of Manhattan in  
43 the city and county of New York, bounded and described as follows:

44 BEGINNING at the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly  
45 side of Fulton Street with the westerly side of Broadway;

46 RUNNING THENCE southerly along the westerly side of Broadway, 78 feet  
47 11 1/2 inches to an angle point, in said westerly side of Broadway;

48 THENCE southerly still along the westerly side of Broadway, 75 feet 3  
49 inches to the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly side of  
50 Broadway with the northerly side of Dey Street;

51 THENCE westerly along the northerly side of Dey Street, 275 feet 6 3/4  
52 inches;

53 THENCE northerly along a line which forms an angle on its westerly  
54 side with the northerly side of Dey Street of 91 degrees 21 minutes 50  
55 seconds, 77 feet 5 1/2 inches;

1     THENCE easterly along a line which forms an angle on its southerly  
2 side with the last described course of 91 degrees 21 minutes 50 seconds,  
3 75 feet 4 5/8 inches;

4     THENCE northerly along a line which forms an angle on its westerly  
5 side with the last described course of 91 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds,  
6 77 feet 5 1/4 inches to the southerly side of Fulton Street;

7     THENCE easterly along the southerly side of Fulton Street, 99 feet 8  
8 inches to an angle point on said southerly side of Fulton Street;

9     THENCE easterly still along the southerly side of Fulton Street, 100  
10 feet 2 1/2 inches to the point or place of BEGINNING.

11     TOGETHER with benefits and subject to the terms contained in that  
12 certain Easement and License Agreement dated as of April 20, 1993  
13 between Kalikow Fulton Church Realty Company and 195 Property Company  
14 and recorded on May 10, 1993 in Reel 1969 page 1310.

15     (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b) of this subdivi-  
16 sion, the authority may issue a license pursuant to this section for a  
17 premises which shall be within [five] SIX hundred FIFTY feet of three or  
18 more existing premises licensed and operating pursuant to this section  
19 and sections sixty-four-a, sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-  
20 four-d of this article if, after consultation with the municipality or  
21 community board, AND AN ONSITE VISIT TO INVESTIGATE THE PREMISES SEEKING  
22 THE LICENSE AND THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD it determines that granting  
23 such license would be in the public interest. Before it may issue any  
24 such license, the authority shall conduct a hearing, upon notice to the  
25 applicant and the municipality or community board, and shall state and  
26 file in its office its reasons therefor. The hearing may be rescheduled,  
27 adjourned or continued, and the authority shall give notice to the  
28 applicant and the municipality or community board of any such resched-  
29 uled, adjourned or continued hearing. Before the authority issues any  
30 said license, the authority or one or more of the commissioners thereof  
31 may, in addition to the hearing required by this paragraph, also conduct  
32 a public meeting regarding said license, upon notice to the applicant  
33 and the municipality or community board. The public meeting may be  
34 rescheduled, adjourned or continued, and the authority shall give notice  
35 to the applicant and the municipality or community board of any such  
36 rescheduled, adjourned or continued public meeting. Notice to the muni-  
37 cipality or community board shall mean written notice mailed by the  
38 authority to such municipality or community board at least fifteen days  
39 in advance of any hearing scheduled pursuant to this paragraph. Upon the  
40 request of the authority, any municipality or community board may waive  
41 the fifteen day notice requirement. No premises having been granted a  
42 license pursuant to this section shall be denied a renewal of such  
43 license upon the grounds that such premises are within five hundred feet  
44 of a building or buildings wherein three or more premises are licensed  
45 and operating pursuant to this section and sections sixty-four-a,  
46 sixty-four-b, sixty-four-c, and/or sixty-four-d of this article.

47     S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.