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

AN ACT to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to  
community centers and licensing notification

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

1     Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subdivision 3 of section 105 of  
2     the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by chapter 406 of the  
3     laws of 2007, are amended to read as follows:  
4     (a) No retail license to sell liquor and/or wine for off-premises  
5     consumption shall be granted for any premises which shall be located on  
6     the same street or avenue, and within two hundred feet of a building  
7     occupied exclusively as a school, church, synagogue [or], other place of  
8     worship OR COMMUNITY CENTER; the measurements to be taken in a straight  
9     line from the center of the nearest entrance to the building used for  
10    such school, church, synagogue [or], other place of worship OR COMMUNITY  
11    CENTER to the center of the nearest entrance of the premises to be  
12    licensed; except, however, that no license shall be denied to any prem-  
13    ises at which a license under this chapter has been in existence contin-  
14    uously from a date prior to the date when a building on the same street  
15    or avenue and within two hundred feet of said premises has been occupied  
16    exclusively as a school, church, synagogue [or], other place of worship  
17    OR COMMUNITY CENTER.  
18    (b) Within the context of this subdivision, the word "entrance" shall  
19    mean a door of a school, of a house of worship, or of the premises  
20    sought to be licensed, regularly used to give ingress to students of the  
21    school, to the general public attending the place of worship, and to  
22    patrons or guests of the premises proposed to be licensed, except that  
23    where a school [or], house of worship OR COMMUNITY CENTER is set back  
24    from a public thoroughfare, the walkway or stairs leading to any such  
25    door shall be deemed an entrance; and the measurement shall be taken to

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

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1 the center of the walkway or stairs at the point where it meets the  
2 building line or public thoroughfare. A door which has no exterior hard-  
3 ware, or which is used solely as an emergency or fire exit, or for main-  
4 tenance purposes, or which leads directly to a part of a building not  
5 regularly used by the general public or patrons, is not deemed an  
6 "entrance".

7 S 2. The opening paragraph of section 107 of the alcoholic beverage  
8 control law is amended to read as follows:

9 Every person procuring a license hereunder must NOTIFY OTHER LIQUOR  
10 LICENSE HOLDERS WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE OF THE PROPOSED LICENSED PREMISES,  
11 THE STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS WHOSE DISTRICT ENCOMPASSES THE PROPOSED  
12 LICENSED PREMISES, THE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY WITHIN WHICH THE PROPOSED  
13 LICENSED PREMISES IS LOCATED, AND THE BLOCK CLUB AND/OR BUSINESS  
14 DISTRICT WITHIN WHICH THE PROPOSED LICENSED PREMISES IS LOCATED AND  
15 publish a notice thereof as herein provided:

16 S 3. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall  
17 have become a law.