

STATE OF NEW YORK

10869

IN ASSEMBLY

April 8, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to establishing closing hours for certain licensed premises due to recurring law enforcement interventions

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as
2 the "responsible neighborhood preservation act".

3 § 2. Legislative findings and intent. The legislature hereby finds and
4 declares that the operation of licensed premises for the sale of alco-
5 holic beverages can have a significant impact on the quality of life in
6 the neighborhoods where such premises are located. The legislature
7 further finds that repeated law enforcement interventions at the same
8 premises can be indicative of management practices that are detrimental
9 to the health, safety, and welfare of the community. It is, therefore,
10 the intent of the legislature to encourage the responsible operation of
11 such premises and to provide for the mitigation of adverse impacts on
12 the community.

13 § 3. The alcoholic beverage control law is amended by adding a new
14 section 132 to read as follows:

15 § 132. Adjustment of closing hours following recurring law enforcement
16 response. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule, or regu-
17 lation to the contrary, any premises licensed under this chapter that
18 has required a response by law enforcement officers on more than three
19 separate occasions in any one calendar month shall have its closing
20 hours adjusted to no later than midnight on all days of the week, for a
21 period of no less than six months.

22 2. For the purposes of this section, a "response by law enforcement
23 officers" shall mean any instance where law enforcement officers are
24 dispatched to the licensed premises in response to a call or complaint
25 alleging activities including, but not limited to, disorderly conduct,
26 noise violations, fights, disturbances, public intoxication, or other
27 criminal activity.

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

LBD14285-01-5

1 3. The state liquor authority shall promulgate rules and regulations
2 necessary for the enforcement of this section, including but not limited
3 to the establishment of a process for documenting and verifying law
4 enforcement responses and a process for the licensed premises to appeal
5 the adjustment of closing hours.

6 4. The provisions of this section shall apply to all premises licensed
7 under this chapter located in the state of New York.

8 § 4. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivi-
9 sion, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of
10 competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect,
11 impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in
12 its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section
13 or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judg-
14 ment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of
15 the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such
16 invalid provisions had not been included herein.

17 § 5. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
18 have become a law; provided, however, that the state liquor authority is
19 authorized and directed to promulgate rules and regulations necessary
20 for the implementation of this act on or before such date.