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# IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. GRIFFO, HELMING -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Commerce, Economic Development and Small Business

AN ACT to credit days to retail on-premises licensees that were unable to operate as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the state liquor authority is authorized to grant a license credit to any on-premises licensee and any manufacturing licensee with on-premises retail privileges that are licensed pursuant to the alcoholic beverage control law to receive a credit to the next renewal of their license on a pro-rata basis for each inactive day, up to a maximum of three hundred sixty-five days. An inactive day shall mean each day between March 7, 2020 and March 7, 2021 that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic or the government response to the pandemic, the licensee was closed, or ceased all on-premises retail business functions that require a license under the alcoholic beverage control law. The on-premises licensee and any manufacturing licensee with on-premises retail privileges shall document to the state liquor authority, on a form provided by the authority, the number of inactive days, up to a maximum of three hundred sixty-five days, that they are claiming for a credit to be added to their next retail on-premise license renewal.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed January 1, 2028.

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

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