

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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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:

1 Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,  
2 the state liquor authority is authorized to grant a license credit to  
3 any on-premises licensee and any manufacturing licensee with on-premises  
4 retail privileges that are licensed pursuant to the alcoholic beverage  
5 control law to receive a credit to the next renewal of their license on  
6 a pro-rata basis for each inactive day, up to a maximum of three hundred  
7 sixty-five days. An inactive day shall mean each day between March 7,  
8 2020 and March 7, 2021 that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic or the govern-  
9 ment response to the pandemic, the licensee was closed, or ceased all  
10 on-premises retail business functions that require a license under the  
11 alcoholic beverage control law. The on-premises licensee and any manu-  
12 facturing licensee with on-premises retail privileges shall document to  
13 the state liquor authority, on a form provided by the authority, the  
14 number of inactive days, up to a maximum of three hundred sixty-five  
15 days, that they are claiming for a credit to be added to their next  
16 retail on-premise license renewal.

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18 deemed repealed January 1, 2028.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