

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 988 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY SCHWEYER, SCHLOSSBERG, FREEMAN, MCNEILL, SANKEY  
AND MADDEN, MARCH 28, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR CONTROL, MARCH 28, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled, as  
2 reenacted, "An act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and  
3 malt and brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating  
4 and changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and  
5 restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession,  
6 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding  
7 in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic  
8 liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the  
9 persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and  
10 duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing  
11 for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores,  
12 for the payment of certain license fees to the respective  
13 municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain  
14 nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure  
15 without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures;  
16 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," in  
17 licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and  
18 brewed beverages, further providing for limiting number of  
19 retail licenses to be issued in each county.

20 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
21 hereby enacts as follows:

22 Section 1. Section 461(b.1)(3) of the act of April 12, 1951  
23 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, is amended to read:

24 Section 461. Limiting Number of Retail Licenses To Be Issued  
25 In Each County.--\* \* \*

26 (b.1) The board may issue restaurant and eating place retail

1 dispenser licenses and renew licenses issued under this  
2 subsection without regard to the quota restrictions set forth in  
3 subsection (a) for the purpose of economic development in a  
4 municipality under the following conditions:

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6 (3) The board may issue no more than [two] three licenses  
7 total in each county of the first through fourth class with no  
8 one municipality issued more than two licenses and no more than  
9 one license total in each county of the fifth through eighth  
10 class per calendar year.

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12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.