

General Law Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-5293

AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPALITIES AND THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC

Title: LIQUOR.

Vote Date: 3/10/2020

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 3/3/2020

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

General Law Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

To update a statute from the prohibition era and to streamline liquor regulations in order to stimulate economic development on towns that are affected by this outdated statute.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None Submitted

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Anatonia Moran, Mayor, Town of Mansfield: The town of Mansfield has been trying to improve their business climate by updating and modernizing zoning regulations and reestablishing its EDC and if this bill is passed it will greatly help expand the offerings in Mansfield.

Kenneth Raw, Vice Chair, Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission: The Planning and Zoning Commission at its March 2, 2020 meeting voted to support this bill. This bill will allow municipalities to continue to decide what is right for their communities and will remove a barrier that does not allow for economic growth and diversification.

Steven Ferrigno, Chair Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission: With the passage of this bill the town of Mansfield will not have to require a petition and referendum to modify the allowable liquor permits and allow breweries, wineries or distilleries.

The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities: We support this bill that would streamline the municipal voting process on the sale of alcoholic liquor.

Adrienne McPherson: I support this bill.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None Submitted

Reported by: Pamela Bianca

Date: 03/11/2020