AN ACT ALLOWING CERTAIN PERMITTEES TO SELL ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) From the effective date of this section until three years after the effective date of this section, the holder of a permit issued pursuant to sections 30-16, 30-21, and 30-22 of the general statutes or subsections (a), (g) (h) or (i) of section 30-22a of the general statutes may sell for consumption off-premise sealed containers of all such alcoholic liquor such permit holder is allowed to sell for on-premise consumption, subject to the requirements of this section and consistent with all local ordinances for the town in which the premise is located.

(b) Any alcoholic liquor sold for off-premise consumption pursuant to this section shall be accompanied by food prepared on the permit premises for off-premise consumption.

(c) Alcoholic liquor sold for off-premise consumption pursuant to this section may be sold in a container other than the manufacturer's original sealed container. All such alcoholic liquor sold for off-premise
consumption shall be given to a consumer in a securely sealed container that prevents consumption without the removal of a tamper-evident lid, cap or seal. A securely sealed container does not include a container with a lid with sipping holes or openings for straws. Each securely sealed container shall be placed in a bag by the permittee's agent or employee prior to removal from the premises.

(d) If a permittee is delivering alcoholic liquor and food, such delivery shall be made only by a direct employee of the permittee and not by a third-party vendor or entity, unless such third-party vendor or entity holds an in-state transporters permit.

(e) The sale of alcoholic liquor for off-premise consumption pursuant to this section shall be conducted only during the hours a package store is permitted to sell alcoholic liquor under the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91 of the general statutes.

(f) A sealed container of alcoholic liquor sold pursuant to this section shall not be deemed an open container, provided the sealed container is unopened, the seal has not been tampered with, and the contents of the sealed container have not been partially removed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | from passage | New section |

Statement of Purpose:
To allow certain permittees to sell alcoholic liquor for off-premises consumption.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]