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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR CONTROL, FEBRUARY 22, 2024

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled "An  
2 act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and  
3 brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and  
4 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 unlawful acts  
19 relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees.

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

22 Section 1. Section 493(13) of the act of April 12, 1951  
23 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, is amended to read:

24 Section 493. Unlawful Acts Relative to Liquor, Malt and  
25 Brewed Beverages and Licensees.--The term "licensee," when used  
26 in this section, shall mean those persons licensed under the

1 provisions of Article IV, unless the context clearly indicates  
2 otherwise.

3 It shall be unlawful--

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5 (13) Retail Licensees Employing Minors. For any hotel,  
6 restaurant or club liquor licensee, or any retail dispenser, to  
7 employ or to permit any minor under the age of eighteen to serve  
8 any alcoholic beverages or to employ or permit any minor under  
9 the age of sixteen to render any service whatever in the  
10 licensed premises, nor shall any entertainer under the age of  
11 eighteen be employed or permitted to perform in any licensed  
12 premises in violation of the labor laws of this Commonwealth:  
13 Provided, That in accordance with board regulations minors  
14 between the ages of sixteen and eighteen may be employed to  
15 serve food, clear tables and perform other similar duties, not  
16 to include the dispensing or serving of alcoholic beverages. A  
17 ski resort, golf course or amusement park licensee may employ  
18 minors between the ages of fourteen and fifteen [years of age]  
19 to perform duties in rooms or areas of the licensed premises;  
20 however, such minors may not perform duties in rooms or areas in  
21 which alcohol is being concurrently dispensed or served or in  
22 which alcohol is being concurrently stored in an unsecured  
23 manner. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, an  
24 organization established as a nonprofit organization under 26  
25 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3) (relating to exemption from tax on  
26 corporations, certain trusts, etc.), operating in a city of the  
27 second class or a county of the second class and providing  
28 educational programming designed to provide culinary and life  
29 skills, together with support services and resources, to  
30 criminal justice system-involved juveniles and young adults may

1 employ minors between the ages of fifteen and eighteen to serve  
2 food, clear tables and perform other similar duties, not to  
3 include the dispensing or serving of alcoholic beverages.

4 Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, a hotel,  
5 restaurant or club liquor licensee or any retail dispenser may  
6 allow students receiving instruction in a performing art to  
7 perform an exhibition if the students are not compensated and  
8 are under proper supervision. Written notice of the performance  
9 must be provided to the enforcement bureau prior to the  
10 performance.

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