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2 Introduced by Representatives Christie of Hartford, Zagar of Barnard,
3 Bissonnette of Winooski, Burditt of West Rutland, Buxton of
4 Tunbridge, Clarkson of Woodstock, Connor of Fairfield,
5 Conquest of Newbury, Dakin of Chester, Eastman of Orwell,
6 Fields of Bennington, Gage of Rutland City, Krowinski of
7 Burlington, Martin of Wolcott, McCormack of Burlington,
8 Morris of Bennington, Parent of St. Albans City, Sibilias of
9 Dover, Sweaney of Windsor, Tate of Mendon, Till of Jericho,
10 Troiano of Stannard, and Young of Glover

11 Referred to Committee on

12 Date:

13 Subject: Alcohol; general provisions; licensing

14 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to allow retail
15 stores to obtain a permit from the Department of Liquor Control that will allow
16 them to serve beer and wine during permitted events at the store.

17 An act relating to serving wine and beer during special events at a retail
18 store

1 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

2 Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 2 is amended to read:

3 § 2. DEFINITIONS

4 The following words as used in this title, unless a contrary meaning is
5 required by the context, shall have the following meaning:

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7 (32) “Art gallery ~~or~~ bookstore, or retail store permit”: a permit granted
8 by the Liquor Control Board permitting an art gallery ~~or~~ bookstore, or retail
9 store to conduct an event at which malt or vinous beverages or both are served
10 by the glass to the public, provided that the event is approved by the local
11 licensing authority. A permit holder may purchase malt or vinous beverages
12 directly from a ~~licensed retailer~~ second-class licensee or agency store. A
13 permit holder shall be subject to the provisions of this title and the rules of the
14 Board regarding the service of alcoholic beverages. A request for a permit
15 shall be submitted to the Department in a form required by the Department at
16 least five days prior to the event and shall be accompanied by the permit fee
17 required by subdivision 231(a)(22) of this title. As used in this ~~section~~
18 subdivision, “art gallery” means a fixed establishment whose primary purpose
19 is to exhibit or offer for sale works of art; ~~and~~ “bookstore” means a fixed
20 establishment whose primary purpose is to offer books for sale; and “retail

1 store” means a fixed establishment whose primary purpose is to offer goods,
2 not including alcoholic beverages, for sale.

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4 Sec. 2. 7 V.S.A. § 231 is amended to read:

5 § 231. FEES FOR LICENSES AND PERMITS; DISPOSITION OF FEES

6 (a) The following fees shall be paid:

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8 (22) For an art gallery ~~or~~, bookstore, or retail store permit, \$20.00.

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10 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

11 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.