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3	SENATE
4	110TH LEGISLATURE
5	SECOND REGULAR SESSION

6 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 760, L.D. 1818, Bill, 7 "AN ACT to Permit the Establishment of Additional Agency 8 Stores on a Seasonal Basis."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the amending clause and before the Statement of Fact and inserting in its place the following:

'The State Liquor Commission shall have authority to license and regulate, in cities, towns and unorganized territories which have voted in favor of the operation of state stores under local option provisions and where there are no state stores, and on islands which are within cities, towns and unorganized territories where there are state stores but which are not connected to those cities, towns and unorganized territories by bridge and which have no state stores on them, retailers as special agency stores on an annual, or seasonal or temporary basis for the purposes of selling liqsealed bottles, containers or original packages for consumption off the premises. The liquor shall be sold by the State Liquor Commission, to the special agency stores pursuant to section 204. The commission shall not license any additional agency stores on an annual basis which would be within a 10-mile radius of a state store or agency store. The commission may license, on a seasonal basis only, 10 additional agency stores that are within a 10-mile radius of a state store or agency store. The period for licensed operation of a seasonal agency store shall begin no earlier than the Saturday preceding Memorial Day and end no later than the day following Labor Day. No more than one agency store may be licensed to operate at any time in any single city, town or unorganized territory. If a state or agency store closes, it may not be replaced if there is another state or agency store within a 10-mile radius, except that, after the closing of any agency store which was licensed prior to December 1, 1979 and which is within a 10-mile radius of a state store or another agency store, that agency store may be replaced once after December 1, 1979.

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2	Fiscal Note
3 4	It is estimated that this bill provides additional revenues to the General Fund of \$200,000 each year.'
5	STATEMENT OF FACT
6 7 8	This amendment allows for additional agency stores on a seasonal basis, but provides the following safeguards which did not appear in the original bill:
9	1 A limit of 10 such stores;
0 1	2 Deletion of the provision in the present law allowing "temporary" agency stores;
2 3	3 Limitation of one agency store in any municipality; and
4 5	4 Definition of "seasonal" to include only the period from Memorial Day weekend to the day after Labor Day.
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Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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