

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 116

EFFECTIVE ~~XXXXXX~~ March 18, 2013

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council undertook an inquiry into nightclub licensing and safety in response to violent incidents that occurred in 2012 at late-night entertainment venues in the capital city; and

WHEREAS, The City Council Committee on Ordinances issued a report in December 2012 which detailed the deficiencies in licensing, enforcement, and public safety, and outlined specific administrative and legislative actions necessary to address the concerns; and

WHEREAS, The report's recommendations were based on testimony from City officials, nightclub owners, residents, and representatives from business improvement and civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, In response to the recommendations, the City Council has introduced several ordinances and resolutions to improve safety, clarify and expand licensing procedures and requirements, and implement best practices for nightlife establishments, based on the report's recommendations; and

WHEREAS, The report recommended several changes to Rhode Island General Laws, in the interest of public health and safety, including protecting minors under the age of 21, as well as residents and visitors to Providence; and


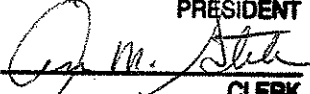
WHEREAS, Boston, Massachusetts restricts patrons under 21 years old from entering venues where alcohol is served and entertainment is offered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby urge the Generally Assembly to adopt an amendment to Rhode Island General Law § 3-7-16.6 to permit regulation of the admittance of individuals under the age of 21 from establishments holding Class N nightclub licenses including permitting live-music shows; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a certified copy of this resolution be delivered to Speaker of the House Gordon D. Fox; House Majority Leader Nicholas Mattiello; Senate President M. Teresa Paiva-Weed; Senate Majority Leader Dominick Ruggerio, and all Providence representatives and senators.

IN CITY
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FINAL READING
READ AND PASSED


PRESIDENT

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Effective without the
Mayor's Signature


Anna M. Stetson
City Clerk