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**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION ADVISORY  
REGARDING THE EXPANSION OF PATIO SERVICE AND TAKEAWAY/DELIVERY OF  
ALCOHOL BY ON-PREMISES LICENSEES**

On June 16, 2021, Governor Charlie Baker signed into law An Act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency. The text of the legislation can be found [HERE](#).

This Act permits on-premises licensees to continue with (1) expanded patio service and (2) extends the ability to sell alcoholic beverages for takeaway and delivery:

**Patios/Outdoor Expansions:** licensees that have been approved for expanded patio/outdoor service pursuant to the Governor's executive orders may continue their outdoor operations until April 1, 2022.

Licensees that seek to continue patio/outdoor service after April 1, 2022, are encouraged to apply in the ordinary course for an alteration of premises with their local licensing authorities. Otherwise, these amended licenses automatically revert to the status prior to the approval of the expansion of outdoor service as of April 1, 2022.

**Takeaway/delivery of alcohol:** establishments licensed for on-premises consumption of alcohol may continue takeaway and delivery sales of alcohol until May 1, 2022. All alcohol sold for takeaway/delivery must be sold with food and at the same price as alcohol for on-premises consumption.

As always, all licensees must ensure that they comply with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and that sales of alcoholic beverages take place only as authorized by federal, state, and local law. All questions should be directed to the ABCC Executive Director Ralph Sacramone at [rsacramone@tre.state.ma.us](mailto:rsacramone@tre.state.ma.us) or (617) 727-3040 x 731.

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