

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of the State Treasurer Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission Boston, Massachusetts 02114

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## **DECISION**

SOHAM, INC. D/B/A BEVERLY SHOP 'N GO 199-201 ESSEX STREET BEVERLY, MA 01915 LICENSE#: 010000042

VIOLATION DATE: 08/17/2016 HEARING DATE: 12/20/2016

Soham, Inc. d/b/a Beverly Shop 'N Go (the "Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 15. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (the "Commission") held a hearing on Tuesday, December 20, 2016, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) — Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. c. 138, §34 — Sale or delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age. Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the violation alleged in Investigator Doyle's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Doyle's Compliance Check Field Report dated August 17, 2016; and
- 2. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

There is one (1) audio recording of this hearing.

The Commission took Administrative Notice of the Licensee's record.

## **FACTS**

- 1. On Wednesday, August 17, 2016, at approximately 6:41 p.m., Investigators Doyle and Bailey ("Investigators") investigated the business operation of Soham, Inc. d/b/a Beverly Shop 'N Go.
- 2. An underage operative, working with Investigators, purchased from the Licensee an alcoholic beverage, a sixteen ounce (16 oz.) can of Budweiser Light beer for one dollar and ninety-nine (\$1.99). The underage operative was not asked for identification.

## CONCLUSION

Based on the evidence the Commission finds the Licensee violated 204 CMR 2.05 (2) - Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. c. 138, §34 – Sale or delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age. As the Licensee has been in business for more than 10 years with no prior violations, the Commission issues a **WARNING**.

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

Elizabeth A. Lashway, Commissioner

Kathleen McNally, Commissioner

Dated: December 20, 2016

You have the right to appeal this decision to the Superior Courts under the provisions of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws within thirty (30) days of receipt of this decision.

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