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CHAPTER 87

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - Caterer Privilege**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners  
4 to add a certain caterer privilege to certain alcoholic beverages licenses;  
5 authorizing a licensee who holds a caterer privilege to contract to provide  
6 certain services; establishing the hours that a licensee may exercise a caterer  
7 privilege; requiring a licensee who holds a caterer privilege to have certain  
8 facilities; providing that a caterer privilege is incorporated into the existing  
9 license; establishing a certain annual fee for a caterer privilege; providing for  
10 renewal of a caterer privilege; defining a certain term; and generally relating to  
11 adding a certain caterer privilege to certain alcoholic beverages licenses in  
12 Baltimore City.

13 BY adding to  
14 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
15 Section 6-701.1  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

21 6-701.1.

22 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN BALTIMORE CITY.

1 (B) IN THIS SECTION, "CATERER" MEANS ANY BEER AND WINE OR BEER, WINE  
2 AND LIQUOR LICENSEE WHO CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE FOOD AND ALCOHOLIC  
3 BEVERAGES TO SPONSORS OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE EVENTS HELD OFF THE LICENSED  
4 PREMISES.

5 (C) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ADD A SPECIAL OFF-SALE  
6 CATERER PRIVILEGE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING A LICENSEE TO BE A  
7 CATERER.

8 (D) A LICENSEE WHO HOLDS THE SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE  
9 MAY CONTRACT TO PROVIDE FOOD AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR CONSUMPTION  
10 AT A CATERED EVENT.

11 (E) THE LICENSEE MAY EXERCISE THE SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER  
12 PRIVILEGE ONLY DURING THE HOURS AND DAYS THAT ARE PERMITTED UNDER THIS  
13 ARTICLE FOR THE EXISTING BEER AND WINE OR BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

14 (F) (1) A LICENSEE WHO HOLDS A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE  
15 SHALL HAVE THE FACILITIES TO PREPARE AND DELIVER FOOD TO THE SITE OF THE  
16 CATERED EVENT.

17 (2) THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE THE  
18 FOOD PREPARATION FACILITIES AND ISSUE A CATERER'S LICENSE BEFORE THE  
19 BOARD ADDS OR RENEWS A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE.

20 (G) A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE IS NOT A SEPARATE CLASS OF  
21 LICENSE AND, IF IT IS GRANTED, THE PRIVILEGE IS INCORPORATED WITHIN THE  
22 EXISTING ON-SALE BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

23 (H) THE ANNUAL FEE FOR THE SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE IS  
24 \$500 IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL FEE FOR THE EXISTING BEER AND WINE OR BEER,  
25 WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

26 (I) A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE MAY BE RENEWED.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
28 October 1, 2000.