

**SENATE BILL 356**  
**EMERGENCY BILL**

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By: **Senator Brinkley**

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CHAPTER 24

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Stadium License**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Frederick County Board of License  
4 Commissioners to issue a stadium on-sale license to a certain person;  
5 authorizing the holder of a stadium license to sell beer and light wine during  
6 events in a certain stadium under certain conditions; setting a license fee;  
7 providing that a certain privilege is not part of a certain license; making this Act  
8 an emergency measure; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in  
9 Frederick County.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
12 Section 8-211.1  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

17 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

18 8-211.1.

19 (a) The Frederick County Board of License Commissioners may issue a  
20 stadium [beer] on-sale license to the owner of any professional baseball team  
21 franchise, whether the franchise is a partnership, corporation, or limited liability  
22 company.

1 (b) The stadium [beer] on-sale license authorizes the holder to sell beer AND  
2 LIGHT WINE at the stadium in which the baseball team plays its home games only  
3 under the following circumstances:

4 (1) In plastic, styrofoam, or paper containers on the stadium premises;

5 (2) For consumption on the licensed premises;

6 (3) To persons present at [a baseball game in which the licensee's team  
7 is playing] ANY EVENT HELD IN THE STADIUM; and

8 (4) From the time the stadium opens for the [game] EVENT until the  
9 [game] EVENT ends.

10 (c) The annual fee for the stadium [beer] on-sale license is [\$500] \$2,000.

11 (d) Except for a manufacturer or distributor of beer who is conducting  
12 business with the licensee for purposes of this section, the licensee may not permit  
13 any person to:

14 (1) Carry any alcoholic beverages onto the licensed premises; or

15 (2) Carry any alcoholic beverages from the licensed premises.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the privilege to sell beer  
17 and light wine at an event held in the stadium is not considered to be part of a  
18 separate license and, if the privilege is granted, it shall be incorporated into a  
19 stadium beer on-sale license existing before the effective date of this Act.

20 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency  
21 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,  
22 has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members  
23 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from  
24 the date it is enacted.