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By: **Charles County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B-Stadium License**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing in Charles County a Class B-Stadium (baseball  
4 stadium) on-sale beer and light wine license; authorizing the Board of License  
5 Commissioners to issue a Class B-Stadium license to certain persons; specifying  
6 that a Class B-Stadium license authorizes the holder to sell beer and light wine  
7 at a baseball stadium during certain events; specifying the manner in which  
8 certain alcoholic beverages are to be served; providing for an annual license fee;  
9 prohibiting with a certain exception a holder of a Class B-Stadium license from  
10 allowing an individual to carry alcoholic beverages onto or from the license  
11 premises; and generally relating to a Class B-Stadium license in Charles  
12 County.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
15 Section 6-201(j)(1)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

18 BY adding to  
19 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
20 Section 6-201(j)(6)  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

25 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

26 6-201.

27 (j) (1) This subsection applies only in Charles County.

1 (6) (I) THERE IS A CLASS B-STADIUM (BASEBALL STADIUM) ON-SALE  
2 BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSE.

3 (II) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A 7-DAY  
4 CLASS B-STADIUM LICENSE TO:

5 1. THE OWNER OF ANY PROFESSIONAL TEAM FRANCHISE,  
6 WHETHER THE FRANCHISE IS A PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, OR LIMITED  
7 LIABILITY COMPANY; OR

8 2. A PRIVATE CONCESSIONAIRE THAT IS UNDER CONTRACT  
9 WITH THE COUNTY OR A PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL TEAM FRANCHISE.

10 (III) A CLASS B-STADIUM LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO  
11 SELL BEER AND LIGHT WINE ON THE PREMISES OF A BASEBALL STADIUM OWNED OR  
12 OPERATED BY THE COUNTY TO INDIVIDUALS PRESENT AT BASEBALL GAMES OR  
13 OTHER EVENTS HELD AT THE STADIUM.

14 (IV) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (V) OF THIS  
15 PARAGRAPH, BEER AND LIGHT WINE SHALL BE SERVED IN PLASTIC, STYROFOAM, OR  
16 PAPER CONTAINERS ON THE STADIUM PREMISES.

17 (V) BEER OR LIGHT WINE MAY BE SERVED IN GLASS CONTAINERS  
18 IN AN ENCLOSED STADIUM DINING AREA IN WHICH PATRONS ARE SEATED.

19 (VI) THE ANNUAL FEE FOR THE CLASS-B STADIUM LICENSE IS  
20 \$2,200.

21 (VII) EXCEPT FOR A DISTRIBUTOR OF BEER WHO IS CONDUCTING  
22 BUSINESS WITH A HOLDER OF A CLASS B-STADIUM LICENSE FOR THE PURPOSES OF  
23 THIS PARAGRAPH, THE HOLDER MAY NOT ALLOW ANY INDIVIDUAL TO CARRY  
24 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ONTO OR FROM THE LICENSED PREMISES.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
26 effect June 1, 2005.