

Chapter 353

(House Bill 199)

AN ACT concerning

Queen Anne's County – Beer, Wine and Liquor Tasting License

FOR the purpose of creating in Queen Anne's County a beer, wine and liquor tasting license; specifying to whom the license may be issued; setting maximum limits on the amounts of certain individual servings; specifying that the license may be issued for tasting purposes only; establishing a license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Queen Anne's County.

BY renumbering

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–410.2 and 8–410.3, respectively
to be Section 8–410.3 and 8–410.4, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–410.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 8–410.2 and 8–410.3, respectively, of Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 8–410.3 and 8–410.4, respectively.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

8–410.2.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

(B) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR TASTING (BWLTT) LICENSE.

(C) A BWLT LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED ONLY TO A HOLDER OF A CLASS A BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

(D) (1) A BWLT LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE CONSUMPTION FOR TASTING PURPOSES ONLY OF:

(I) NOT MORE THAN 1 OUNCE OF BEER FROM EACH GIVEN BRAND AND 4 OUNCES FROM ALL BRANDS;

(II) NOT MORE THAN 2 OUNCES OF WINE FROM EACH GIVEN BRAND AND 4 OUNCES FROM ALL BRANDS; AND

(III) NOT MORE THAN ONE-HALF OUNCE OF LIQUOR FROM EACH GIVEN BRAND AND 1.5 OUNCES FROM ALL BRANDS.

(2) THE LIMITS ON CONSUMPTION SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION APPLY TO ONE INDIVIDUAL IN A SINGLE DAY.

(E) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR THE BWLT LICENSE IS \$100 IN ADDITION TO THE FEE FOR ANY OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE HELD BY THE LICENSE HOLDER.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor, May 2, 2013.