

HOUSE BILL 648

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2013

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Winery Special Event Permits – Farmers’ Markets**

3 **MC 3–13**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the number of winery special event permits that may be
5 issued to certain wineries for use at certain farmers’ markets in Montgomery
6 County so as to authorize issuance of not more than one winery special event
7 permit per week; and generally relating to winery special event permits for use
8 at farmers’ markets in Montgomery County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
11 Section 2–101(u)(1)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 2–101(u)(8)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

21 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

22 2–101.

23 (u) (1) The Office of the Comptroller may issue a winery special event
24 permit to a licensed Class 4 Maryland limited winery, provided that:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (i) Except as provided in paragraphs (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11),
2 (12), (13) and (14) of this subsection, no more than 12 winery special event permits are
3 issued to the Class 4 Maryland limited winery in any given calendar year;

4 (ii) The permit does not exceed 3 consecutive days; and

5 (iii) Except as provided in paragraphs (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11),
6 (12), (13), and (14) of this subsection, no more than three winery special event permits
7 are issued in any calendar year to any given limited winery for use in the same
8 political subdivision.

9 (8) (i) In addition to the winery special event permits that may be
10 issued under paragraph (1)(i) and (iii) of this subsection, a Class 4 Maryland limited
11 winery may be issued not more than [12] ONE winery special event [permits] **PERMIT**
12 **PER WEEK** for use at farmers' markets in Montgomery County that are listed on the
13 Farmers' Market Directory of the Maryland Department of Agriculture.

14 (ii) If a winery special event permit is issued under this
15 paragraph:

16 1. The holder of the permit may not sell wine by the
17 glass; and

18 2. The farmers' market administrator or the
19 administrator's designee and the holder of the permit or the holder's designee shall be:

20 A. Certified by an alcohol awareness program approved
21 by the Comptroller; and

22 B. Present during the hours when wine may be sold.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 July 1, 2013.