

SENATE BILL 1112

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By: **Senator Robey**

Constitutional Requirements Complied with for Introduction in the last 35 Days of Session

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Senate action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Population Restrictions on Class A**
3 **Licenses**

4 FOR the purpose of limiting the number of Class A licenses of any type that the Board
5 of License Commissioners of Howard County may issue based on a certain
6 license-to-population ratio using county population data as determined by the
7 latest federal census; providing a certain exception; and generally relating to
8 alcoholic beverages licenses in Howard County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
11 Section 9–214(a)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

14 BY adding to
15 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 9–214(f)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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

3 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

4 9–214.

5 (a) This section applies only in Howard County.

6 (F) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
7 SUBSECTION, THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY NOT ISSUE MORE
8 THAN ONE CLASS A LICENSE OF ANY TYPE FOR EVERY 4,000 RESIDENTS OF THE
9 COUNTY AS DETERMINED BY THE LATEST FEDERAL CENSUS.

10 (2) PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A
11 LICENSE ISSUED FOR USE IN AN EXISTING SHOPPING CENTER OR IN A
12 PROPOSED SHOPPING CENTER DEVELOPMENT FOR WHICH A BUILDING PERMIT
13 HAS BEEN ISSUED THAT CONTAINS 200,000 OR MORE SQUARE FEET OF
14 COMMERCIAL RETAIL SPACE.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
16 July 1, 2014.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.