

SENATE BILL 231

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By: **Calvert County Senators**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2015

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Beer and Wine Festival License**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the scope and title of a certain alcoholic beverages festival
4 license in Calvert County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of
5 Calvert County to issue a special beer and wine festival license to the holders of
6 certain alcoholic beverages licenses or to a not-for-profit organization; authorizing
7 the holder of the license to display and sell beer or wine for consumption on or off
8 certain premises on certain days and for certain hours; authorizing the Board to
9 approve up to a certain number of weekends for certain applicants for certain
10 festivals; requiring the Board to approve certain locations for the festivals; providing
11 for the application of this Act; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to
12 alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
15 Section 8–305
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

20 8–305.

21 (a) **THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN CALVERT COUNTY.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B)** The Calvert County Board of License Commissioners may issue a special
2 **BEER AND** wine festival [(WF)] **(BWF)** license.

3 [(b)] **(C)** Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, an applicant for a
4 special [(WF)] **BWF** license shall be [a]:

5 **(1)** A holder of an existing retail alcoholic beverages license issued in the
6 State authorizing the sale of **BEER OR** wine, a State Class 3 winery license, [or] a State
7 Class 4 winery license, **A CLASS 5 BREWERY LICENSE, A CLASS 7 MICRO-BREWERY**
8 **LICENSE, OR A CLASS 8 FARM BREWERY LICENSE** issued pursuant to this article; **OR**

9 **(2)** **A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.**

10 [(c)] **(D)** A special [(WF)] **BWF** license entitles the holder to display and sell at
11 retail **BEER OR** wine for consumption on or off the licensed premises on the days and for
12 the hours designated for the **BEER FESTIVAL, wine festival, OR BEER AND WINE**
13 **FESTIVAL** in [(Calvert County)] **THE COUNTY.**

14 [(d)] **(E)** The license fee is \$15.

15 [(e)] **(F)** The provisions of this section may not prohibit the licensee from holding
16 another alcoholic beverages license of a different class or nature.

17 [(f)] **(G)** The Calvert County Board of License Commissioners:

18 (1) Shall approve [one weekend annually] **UP TO FOUR WEEKENDS EACH**
19 **YEAR FOR EACH APPLICANT** for [the] **BEER OR** wine [festival] **FESTIVALS**; and

20 (2) Shall approve [a location] **LOCATIONS** in [(Calvert County)] **THE**
21 **COUNTY** for [this festival which does not hold an alcoholic beverages license] **THE**
22 **FESTIVALS.**

23 [(g)] **(H)** The Calvert County Board of License Commissioners shall adopt
24 regulations for implementing this section.

25 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,** That this Act shall take effect July
26 1, 2015.