

SENATE BILL 644

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By: **Senator Edwards**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Class B–MB**
3 **(Micro–Brewery/Restaurant) License**

4 FOR the purpose of creating in Allegany County a Class B–MB (micro–brewery/restaurant)
5 license; specifying that the Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class
6 B–MB license to a holder of a Class 7 manufacturer’s license; providing that the
7 Class B–MB license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine
8 by the drink or by the bottle and liquor by the drink only for consumption on the
9 licensed premises, including in certain areas; providing that the Class B–MB license
10 authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine by the bottle for
11 off–premises consumption; specifying certain days and hours of sale for the
12 Class B–MB license; specifying a certain annual fee; and generally relating to
13 alcoholic beverages in Allegany County.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
15 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 6–201(a)(1) and (b)(1)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

19 BY adding to
20 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
21 Section ~~6–201(b–1)(9)~~ 6–201(b)(4)
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 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 MARYLAND,
2 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

4 6–201.

5 (a) (1) A Class B beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license
6 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located, and the license
7 authorizes its holder to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail at any hotel
8 or restaurant at the place described, for consumption on the premises or elsewhere, or as
9 provided in this section.

10 (b) (1) The provisions of this subsection apply only in Allegany County.

11 ~~(b-1)~~ ~~(9)~~ **(4) (I) THERE IS A SPECIAL CLASS B-MB**
12 **(MICRO-BREWERY/RESTAURANT) LICENSE.**

13 **(II) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A**
14 **SPECIAL CLASS B-MB LICENSE TO A HOLDER OF A CLASS 7 MANUFACTURER'S**
15 **LICENSE.**

16 **(III) THE HOLDER OF A CLASS B-MB LICENSE MAY SELL AT**
17 **RETAIL BEER AND LIGHT WINE BY THE DRINK OR BY THE BOTTLE AND LIQUOR BY**
18 **THE DRINK FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES, INCLUDING:**

19 **1. IN A BANQUET ROOM OR BANQUET FACILITY THAT IS**
20 **ON THE LICENSED PREMISES; AND**

21 **2. ON A PATIO THAT IS PART OF THE LICENSED**
22 **PREMISES AS EVIDENCED BY LEASE DOCUMENTS OR BY AGREEMENT OF THE OWNER**
23 **OF THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

24 **(IV) THE HOLDER OF A CLASS B-MB LICENSE MAY SELL AT**
25 **RETAIL BEER AND LIGHT WINE BY THE BOTTLE FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION.**

26 **(V) THE HOURS OF SALE ARE:**

27 **1. FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES:**

28 **A. ON MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, FROM 7 A.M. TO 2**
29 **A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY; AND**

1 **B. ON SUNDAY, FROM 1 P.M. TO 2 A.M. THE FOLLOWING**
2 **DAY; AND**

3 **2. FOR CONSUMPTION OFF THE PREMISES ON MONDAY**
4 **THROUGH SATURDAY, FROM 7 A.M. TO 2 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY.**

5 **(VI) THE ANNUAL FEE FOR A CLASS B-MB LICENSE IS \$900.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
7 1, 2015.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.