

# SENATE BILL 920

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By: **Senator Hershey**

Introduced and read first time: March 9, 2015

Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Charitable Donations**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing holders of certain licenses, after paying the excise tax, to  
4 provide without cost certain alcoholic beverages to a holder of a special Class C beer  
5 and wine or special Class C beer, wine and liquor license; defining a certain term;  
6 and generally relating to the providing of alcoholic beverages to charitable  
7 organizations and other persons.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
10 Section 7–101(a)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

16 7–101.

17 (a) (1) On approval by the board of license commissioners for that jurisdiction,  
18 if any, of a proper application, made on forms prescribed by the State Comptroller, signed  
19 and sworn to, the license issuing authority may grant the types of special licenses for the  
20 periods and at the fees specified in this section.

21 (2) For an application for a statewide license, the Comptroller may grant  
22 the license.

23 (3) In Anne Arundel County, the provisions of §§ 10–103(b) and  
24 10–202 of this article and § 3–102 of the General Provisions Article do not apply to an

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 applicant for a special Class C beer license, special Class C beer and wine license, or special  
2 Class C beer, wine and liquor license for a period not to exceed 7 consecutive days from the  
3 effective date of the license.

4           **(4) (I) AFTER PAYING THE EXCISE TAX, A HOLDER OF A CLASS 1**  
5 **(DISTILLERY) MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE MAY PROVIDE WITHOUT COST THE**  
6 **LIQUOR IT PRODUCES TO A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL CLASS C BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR**  
7 **LICENSE.**

8           **(II) AFTER PAYING THE EXCISE TAX, A HOLDER OF A CLASS 3**  
9 **(WINERY) MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE OR CLASS 4 (LIMITED WINERY)**  
10 **MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE MAY PROVIDE WITHOUT COST WINE THE PERSON**  
11 **PRODUCES TO A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL CLASS C BEER AND WINE OR SPECIAL CLASS**  
12 **C BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.**

13           **(III) AFTER PAYING THE EXCISE TAX, A HOLDER OF A CLASS 5**  
14 **(BREWERY), CLASS 6 (PUB-BREWERY), CLASS 7 (MICRO-BREWERY), OR CLASS 8**  
15 **(FARM BREWERY) MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE MAY PROVIDE WITHOUT COST BEER**  
16 **THE PERSON PRODUCES TO A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL CLASS C BEER, SPECIAL CLASS**  
17 **C BEER AND WINE, OR SPECIAL CLASS C BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.**

18           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
19 1, 2015.