

Chapter 177

(Senate Bill 499)

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Class C (Retirement Center) License

FOR the purpose of establishing a special Class C (retirement center) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license by converting a certain license held on behalf of a retirement center into the retirement center license; specifying that the retirement center license authorizes the holder to sell at retail beer, wine, and liquor to residents and guests at the licensed premises for on–premises consumption; authorizing the license holder to sell wine or liquor for off–premises consumption under certain circumstances; allowing a civic group or any other organization that rents the premises for an event to serve alcoholic beverages at the event under certain circumstances; providing that the licensed premises may be expanded; providing that the retirement center campus shall be limited to certain areas and rooms; providing for an annual fee; and generally relating to a retirement center license in Frederick County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–301(l)(10)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

6–301.

(l) (10) (i) THERE IS A SPECIAL CLASS C (RETIREMENT CENTER) ON–SALE BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

(ii) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE THE RETIREMENT CENTER LICENSE BY CONVERTING A SPECIAL CLASS C (CLUB) LICENSE HELD ON BEHALF OF A RETIREMENT CENTER INTO THE RETIREMENT CENTER LICENSE.

(iii) THE RETIREMENT CENTER LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER TO SELL AT RETAIL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR TO RESIDENTS AND GUESTS AT THE LICENSED PREMISES FOR ON–PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

(IV) THE LICENSE HOLDER MAY SELL FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION ONLY SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OR SPECIAL EVENT COLLECTIBLE BOTTLES OF WINE OR LIQUOR NOT MORE THAN 30 CALENDAR DAYS BEFORE THE SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OR EVENT.

(V) 1. SUBJECT TO SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, A CIVIC GROUP OR ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION THAT RENTS THE PREMISES FROM THE LICENSE HOLDER FOR AN EVENT MAY SERVE AT THE EVENT ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES THAT THE LICENSE HOLDER PROVIDES.

2. NOT MORE THAN 25 EVENTS DESCRIBED IN SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH AT WHICH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE SERVED MAY BE HELD IN 1 YEAR.

3. THE EVENTS MAY BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

(VI) THE LICENSED PREMISES MAY BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE ANY BUILDING OR FACILITY AT THE RETIREMENT CENTER CAMPUS, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE BUILDING OR FACILITY EXISTS WHEN THE LICENSE IS ISSUED.

(VII) THE RETIREMENT CENTER CAMPUS SHALL BE LIMITED TO TWO AREAS AND THE SERVICE ROOMS CONNECTED TO THOSE TWO AREAS.

(VIII) THE ANNUAL FEE FOR THE LICENSE IS \$1,500.

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

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.