

Chapter 285

(House Bill 877)

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Wine Shop and Lounge License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class B wine shop and lounge license in Kent County; specifying that the license authorizes the holder to sell wine for consumption on and off the premises and to sell or serve certain foods; providing that the license holder is not subject to any requirement regarding the percentage of average daily receipts derived from the sale of food; allowing an individual under the legal drinking age to enter the licensed premises; setting an annual license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Kent County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4–301 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Class B Wine Licenses”

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

SUBTITLE 3. CLASS B WINE LICENSES.

4–301.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN KENT COUNTY.

(B) THERE IS A CLASS B WINE SHOP AND LOUNGE LICENSE.

(C) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO:

(1) SELL WINE FOR CONSUMPTION ON AND OFF THE PREMISES; AND

(2) SELL OR SERVE:

(I) BREAD AND OTHER BAKED GOODS;

(II) CHILI;

(III) CHOCOLATE;

- (IV) **CRACKERS;**
- (V) **CURED MEAT;**
- (VI) **FRUITS (WHOLE AND CUT);**
- (VII) **SALADS AND VEGETABLES (WHOLE AND CUT);**
- (VIII) **HARD AND SOFT CHEESE (WHOLE AND CUT);**
- (IX) ~~**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MADE WITH MARYLAND WINE:**~~

~~1.~~ **ICE CREAM;**

~~2.~~ **(X) JELLY;**

~~3.~~ **(XI) JAM; AND**

~~4.~~ **(XII) VINEGAR;**

~~(X)~~ **(XIII) PIZZA;**

~~(XI)~~ **(XIV) PREPACKAGED SANDWICHES AND OTHER PREPACKAGED FOODS READY TO BE EATEN;**

~~(XII)~~ **(XV) SOUP; AND**

~~(XIII)~~ **(XVI) CONDIMENTS.**

(D) THE LICENSE HOLDER IS NOT SUBJECT TO ANY REQUIREMENT REGARDING THE PERCENTAGE OF AVERAGE DAILY RECEIPTS DERIVED FROM THE SALE OF FOOD.

(E) AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE LEGAL DRINKING AGE MAY ENTER THE LICENSED PREMISES.

(F) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$300.

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

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.