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By: Calvert County Delegation

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Calvert County - Alcoholic Beverages - Beer or Wine Festival License

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the wine festival license in Calvert County to be the beer or 4 wine festival license; establishing that beer festivals and beer and wine festivals are 5 subject to certain authorizations and requirements applicable to wine festivals; 6 authorizing the Calvert County Board of License Commissioners to issue the beer or 7 wine festival license to certain persons; providing that the primary purpose of the 8 license is to authorize the holder to sell certain beer or wine; authorizing the Board 9 to approve up to a certain number of weekends for beer or wine festivals per license applicant each year and requiring the Board to approve the location for a festival; 10 11 and generally relating to the beer or wine festival license in Calvert County.
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 13 Article Alcoholic Beverages
- 14 Section 14–1304
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)
- 17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND.
- 18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 19 Article Alcoholic Beverages
- 20 14-1304.
- 21 (a) There is a **BEER OR** wine festival **[(WF)] (BWF)** license.
- 22 (b) The Board may issue the license to:
- 23 **(1)** a holder of:



1	(I) a retail license authorizing the sale of BEER OR wine[,];
2	(II) A Class 3 winery license[, or];
3	(III) A Class 4 LIMITED winery license;
4	(IV) A CLASS 5 BREWERY LICENSE;
5	(V) A CLASS 7 MICRO-BREWERY LICENSE; OR
6	(VI) A CLASS 8 FARM BREWERY LICENSE; OR
7	(2) A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.
8 9 10	(c) The PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE license [authorizes] IS TO AUTHORIZE the holder to display and sell BEER THAT IS BREWED IN THE STATE OR wine THAT IS MANUFACTURED AND PROCESSED IN THE STATE.
11	(d) A license holder shall display and sell BEER OR wine:
12	(1) at retail for on– and off–premises consumption; and
13	(2) during the hours and days designated for the BEER OR wine festival.
14	(e) [For the wine festival, the Board shall choose] THE BOARD :
15 16	(1) [1 weekend] MAY APPROVE UP TO 4 WEEKENDS FOR BEER OR WINE FESTIVALS PER APPLICANT each year; and
17 18	(2) [a location that is not already licensed] SHALL APPROVE THE LOCATION FOR A FESTIVAL.
19	(f) The license holder may hold another license of a different class or nature.
20	(g) The license fee is \$15.
21	(h) The Board shall adopt regulations to carry out this section.
22 23	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2016.