

# HOUSE BILL 1549

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By: **Washington County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 19, 2016

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class A Beer, Wine, and**  
3 **Liquor – License Fee**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the annual license fee for a Class A beer, wine, and liquor  
5 license in Washington County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in  
6 Washington County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

8 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

9 Section 31–102

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (As enacted by Chapter \_\_\_\_ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

13 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

14 Section 31–901

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 31–102.

21 This title applies only in Washington County.

22 31–901.

23 (a) There is a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) (1) A license under this section authorizes the license holder to sell beer,  
2 wine, and liquor at retail at the place described in the license.

3 (2) The license holder shall sell the beer, wine, or liquor in a sealed package  
4 or container that may not be opened or its contents consumed on the licensed premises.

5 (c) A license under this section may not be issued for a drugstore unless the  
6 applicant:

7 (1) has been doing business at the location applied for in the license for at  
8 least 1 year before the date of the application for the license;

9 (2) is the assignee of a business established for at least 1 year before the  
10 date of the application for the license at the location applied for; or

11 (3) has been engaged in the retail drug business for at least 3 years.

12 (d) (1) The annual license fee is [~~\$300~~] **\$600**.

13 (2) The fee for a Sunday permit is \$250.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
15 1, 2016.