

**HB0655/573992/1**

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 655  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, strike “partnership, a corporation, or an unincorporated association” and substitute “person”; and strike in their entirety lines 10 through 14, inclusive, and substitute:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 23-1606

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter (SB. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 17 on page 1 through line 4 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“Article – Alcoholic Beverages

23–1606.

(a) **(1)** Subject to subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the Board may issue to an individual or for the use of a person **ONE OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS OF LICENSES BUT NOT BOTH:**

**[(1)](1) ONE CLASS D (ON- AND OFF-SALE) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE, two Class B (on–sale) beer, wine, and liquor licenses and seven Class BLX (luxury restaurant)(on–sale) beer, wine, and liquor licenses; or**

(Over)

[(2)](II) ONE CLASS D (ON- AND OFF-SALE) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE AND nine Class BLX (luxury restaurant)(on-sale) beer, wine, and liquor licenses.

(2) THE LICENSES SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION ARE FOR SEPARATE PREMISES.

(b) A person may not have a direct or indirect interest in any combination of more than ONE CLASS D AND nine Class B and Class BLX licenses.

(c) For purposes of this section, an indirect interest is presumed to exist between two persons if both:

(1) have a common parent company;

(2) are linked by a franchise agreement, licensing agreement, or a concession agreement;

(3) are part of a chain of businesses commonly owned and operated;

(4) share:

(i) directors, stockholders, partners, or members; or

(ii) directors, stockholders, partners, or members of parents or subsidiaries;

(5) share, directly or indirectly, profit from the sale of alcoholic beverages; or

(6) share a common trade name, trademark, logo, or theme, or mode of operation identifiable by the public.”.