

SENATE BILL 775

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By: **Harford County Senators**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2017

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Tobacconist License**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a Class B (tobacconist) beer, wine, and liquor license in
4 Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue not more
5 than a certain number of licenses to holders of a State tobacconist license; specifying
6 that the license authorizes the holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises
7 consumption and to conduct tastings; specifying that the license holder need not sell
8 food; requiring an applicant for the license or license renewal to meet certain
9 requirements; providing for hours of sale of the beer, wine, and liquor; specifying
10 that the sale of nontobacco products may not exceed a certain percentage of total
11 gross yearly sales; requiring the license holder to restrict sales of beer, wine, and
12 liquor in a certain way and to monitor a certain area by video recording; providing
13 for a license fee; and generally relating to a Class B (tobacconist) beer, wine, and
14 liquor license in Harford County.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

16 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
17 Section 22–102
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2016 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

20 BY adding to

21 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
22 Section 22–1007
23 Annotated Code of Maryland
24 (2016 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

27 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 22-102.

2 This title applies only in Harford County.

3 22-1007.

4 (A) THERE IS A CLASS B (TOBACCONIST) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR
5 LICENSE.

6 (B) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE NOT MORE THAN THREE LICENSES TO HOLDERS
7 OF A TOBACCONIST LICENSE UNDER TITLE 16.5, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE BUSINESS
8 REGULATION ARTICLE.

9 (C) (1) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO:

10 (I) SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR FOR ON-PREMISES
11 CONSUMPTION; AND

12 (II) CONDUCT AN ON-PREMISES BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR
13 TASTING EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR.

14 (2) THE LICENSE HOLDER NEED NOT SELL FOOD.

15 (D) (1) AN APPLICANT FOR THE LICENSE SHALL DEMONSTRATE TO THE
16 BOARD THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT HAS ADEQUATE TABLES, CHAIRS, AND
17 FACILITIES FOR THE SALE AND CONSUMPTION OF BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR.

18 (2) AN APPLICANT FOR THE LICENSE OR RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE
19 SHALL DEMONSTRATE TO THE BOARD GROSS SALES OF TOBACCO AND
20 TOBACCO-RELATED PRODUCTS OF NOT LESS THAN \$500,000 FOR EACH OF THE 3
21 CALENDAR YEARS PRECEDING THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL.

22 (E) THE LICENSE HOLDER MAY SELL BEER, WINE, OR LIQUOR ON EACH DAY
23 THAT THE LICENSED PREMISES IS OPEN, BUT NOT BEFORE 4 P.M. OR LATER THAN
24 MIDNIGHT.

25 (F) THE SALE OF NONTOBACCO PRODUCTS AT THE LICENSED PREMISES
26 MAY NOT EXCEED 30% OF THE TOTAL GROSS YEARLY SALES.

27 (G) THE LICENSE HOLDER SHALL:

1 **(1) RESTRICT SALES OF BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR TO A LOCATION IN**
2 **THE LICENSED PREMISES TO WHICH ACCESS IS LIMITED TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE**
3 **AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE;**

4 **(2) BY VIDEO RECORDING, MONITOR THE AREA IN WHICH CUSTOMERS**
5 **ARE ALLOWED TO CONSUME BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR;**

6 **(3) MAINTAIN A VIDEO RECORDING FOR AT LEAST 30 DAYS; AND**

7 **(4) ON REQUEST, MAKE A VIDEO RECORDING AVAILABLE TO THE**
8 **BOARD.**

9 **(H) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$500.**

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
11 1, 2017.