Chapter 601

(House Bill 1136)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B-D-7 Licenses - Hours of Sale

FOR the purpose of specifying certain hours of sale for a holder of a Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area of Baltimore City; <u>prohibiting the hours of</u> <u>sale for a license holder in a certain area from beginning before or ending after certain</u> <u>times; prohibiting the hours of sale from being extended under certain conditions;</u> and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Alcoholic Beverages Section 12–102 Annotated Code of Maryland

(2016 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Alcoholic Beverages Section 12–905 Annotated Code of Maryland (2016 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

<u>BY adding to</u> <u>Article – Alcoholic Beverages</u> <u>Section 12–2005(c)</u> <u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u> (2016 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

12 - 102.

This title applies only in Baltimore City.

12 - 905.

(a) There is a Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license.

(b) (1) The Board may issue a Class B-D-7 license if the Board determines that the license is reasonably necessary for the convenience of the public.

(2) In making the determination, the Board shall consider the number of beer, wine, and liquor outlets in a given area and the number of days the outlets are open, rather than the nature of the outlets.

(c) The license authorizes the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor at retail at the place described in the license, for on– and off–premises consumption.

(d) (1) [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor during the hours and days set out under § 12–2004(c) of this title.

(2) THE HOURS OF SALE FOR A LICENSE HOLDER IN AN AREA BOUNDED BY LIBERTY HEIGHTS AVENUE, NORTHERN PARKWAY, DRUID PARK DRIVE, AND WABASH AVENUE ARE FROM 9 A.M. TO 9 P.M.

(e) The Board shall adopt regulations to determine the manner of operation of a licensed premises.

(f) The annual license fee is \$1,320.

<u>12–2005.</u>

(C) FOR A LICENSE HOLDER IN AN AREA BOUNDED BY LIBERTY HEIGHTS AVENUE, NORTHERN PARKWAY, DRUID PARK DRIVE, AND WABASH AVENUE, THE HOURS OF SALE:

(1) MAY NOT BEGIN BEFORE 9 A.M. OR END AFTER 9 P.M.; AND

(2) <u>MAY NOT BE EXTENDED IF THEY BEGIN LATER THAN 9 A.M. OR END</u> BEFORE 9 P.M.

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

Approved by the Governor, May 25, 2017.