

# HOUSE BILL 159

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2018

Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Basket of Cheer Permit**

3 **MC 21–18**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a basket of cheer permit in Montgomery County; requiring  
5 the Board of License Commissioners to grant the permit at no cost to holders of  
6 certain Class C per diem licenses; providing that the permit authorizes the permit  
7 holder to provide as a prize at a benefit performance a basket of cheer, consisting of  
8 certain alcoholic beverages; specifying that the alcoholic beverages contained in a  
9 basket of cheer shall be for off–premises consumption; and generally relating to  
10 alcoholic beverages permits granted in Montgomery County.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
12 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
13 Section 25–102  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

16 BY adding to  
17 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
18 Section 25–1312  
19 Annotated Code of Maryland  
20 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

23 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

24 25–102.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 This title applies only in Montgomery County.

2 **25-1312.**

3 **(A) THERE IS A BASKET OF CHEER PERMIT.**

4 **(B) THE BOARD SHALL GRANT THE PERMIT AT NO COST TO A HOLDER OF A**  
5 **CLASS C PER DIEM BEER AND WINE LICENSE OR A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER, WINE,**  
6 **AND LIQUOR LICENSE.**

7 **(C) THE PERMIT AUTHORIZES THE PERMIT HOLDER TO PROVIDE AS A PRIZE**  
8 **AT A BENEFIT PERFORMANCE A BASKET OF CHEER, CONSISTING OF:**

9 **(1) FOR A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER AND WINE LICENSE,**  
10 **NOT MORE THAN:**

11 **(I) 288 OUNCES OF BEER; AND**

12 **(II) 2.25 LITERS OF WINE; AND**

13 **(2) FOR A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR**  
14 **LICENSE, NOT MORE THAN:**

15 **(I) 288 OUNCES OF BEER;**

16 **(II) 2.25 LITERS OF WINE; AND**

17 **(III) 2.25 LITERS OF LIQUOR.**

18 **(D) THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTAINED IN A BASKET OF CHEER SHALL**  
19 **BE FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION.**

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
21 1, 2018.