Chapter 326

(Senate Bill 384)

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages - Limited Distillery License - Retail Sales

FOR the purpose of raising the annual amount of certain alcoholic beverages that a holder of a Class 9 limited distillery license may distill, rectify, bottle, or sell; increasing the annual amount of the products manufactured under a Class 9 limited distillery license that the holder of the license may sell at retail on a certain premises for on–sale or off–sale consumption; and generally relating to limited distillery licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages Section 2–203(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages Section 2–203(d) Annotated Code of Maryland (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

Article - Alcoholic Beverages

2-203.

- (a) There is a Class 9 limited distillery license.
- (d) A holder of the limited distillery license may not:
 - (1) apply for or possess a wholesaler's license;
- (2) sell bottles of the products manufactured at the Class 9 limited distillery on that part of the premises used for the distillery operation;
- (3) except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, distill, rectify, bottle, or sell more than {100,000} 200,000 gallons of brandy, rum, whiskey, alcohol, and neutral spirits each calendar year;

- (4) sell at retail on the premises of the Class D or Class B license, for on–sale or off–sale consumption, more than [15,500] **35,000** gallons of the products manufactured under the license each calendar year; and
- (5) own, operate, or be affiliated in any manner with another manufacturer.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2018.