

# SENATE BILL 215

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By: **Senators Young and Hough**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Repeal of Quota for Class B Licenses**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing in Frederick County a license quota for certain Class B  
4 alcoholic beverages licenses; and generally relating to the issuance of alcoholic  
5 beverages licenses in Frederick County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
7 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
8 Section 20–102  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
13 Section 20–1601  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

19 20–102.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 This title applies only in Frederick County.

2 20–1601.

3 (a) (1) For every 4,000 individuals or major fraction in an election district, the  
4 Board may not issue more than one license in each of the following classes:

5 (i) Class A (off–sale) beer license;

6 (ii) [Class B (on–sale) beer license;

7 (iii)] Class A (off–sale) beer and wine license; **AND**

8 [(iv) Class B (on–sale) beer and wine license; and

9 (v)] **(III)** Class A (off–sale) beer, wine, and liquor license.

10 (2) The population of each election district is to be determined by the most  
11 recent federal census.

12 (b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, in an election district in  
13 which the number of licenses in a class that were issued as of June 1, 1949, exceeds the  
14 quota specified in subsection (a) of this section, the Board may not issue new licenses in  
15 that class.

16 (2) The Board may issue new licenses in a class when the number of  
17 licenses in that class falls below the quota specified in subsection (a) of this section.

18 (c) This section does not apply to the transfer or renewal of a license.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
20 1, 2020.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.