

# SENATE BILL 944

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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Senator Simonaire**

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

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Annual Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel  
4 County, for a certain licensing period, to reimburse the entire amount of the annual  
5 fee for certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain circumstances; requiring  
6 the Board, for a certain licensing period, to reimburse a certain percentage of the  
7 annual license fee for certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain  
8 circumstances and reimburse a certain amount of the annual license fees the next  
9 fiscal year under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and  
10 generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Anne Arundel County.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
12 That, notwithstanding any other law, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, the Board of  
13 License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County shall:

14 (1) if funding is available from the balance of fees remitted to the county  
15 by the Comptroller under § 11–207 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article, reimburse each  
16 license holder in the county the entire amount of the annual license fee for any Class B,  
17 Class C, Class D, and Class H, ~~Class H(M), and Racetrack~~ license; or

18 (2) if the balance of fees remitted to the county by the Comptroller under §  
19 11–207 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article is insufficient to reimburse each license holder in  
20 the county the entire amount of the annual license fee for any Class B, Class C, Class D,  
21 and Class H license under item (1) of this section, reimburse each license holder;

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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 (i) a percentage of the annual license fee ~~for any Class B, Class C,~~  
2 ~~Class D, Class H, Class H(M), and Racetrack license~~, in proportion to the total amount of  
3 the balance of fees remitted to the county by the Comptroller; and

4 (ii) for the following fiscal year:

5 1. the remaining balance of the annual license fee that was  
6 not reimbursed during the previous fiscal year; or

7 2. a percentage of the annual license fee, in proportion to the  
8 total amount of the balance of fees remitted to the county.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect July~~  
10 ~~1, 2021~~ is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
11 health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the  
12 members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect  
13 from the date it is enacted.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.