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By: Prince George's County Delegation

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

## A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages - Issuance of License Near a Place of Worship or School
4	PG 307–24
5 6 7 8 9	FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County to issue an alcoholic beverages license for an establishment that is within certain distances of a place of worship or school building if a license of the same class had been issued and was in effect for the establishment before the place of worship or school building was built; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George's County.
11 12 13 14 15	BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Section 26–102 Annotated Code of Maryland (2016 Volume and 2023 Supplement)
16 17 18 19 20	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Section 26–1604 Annotated Code of Maryland (2016 Volume and 2023 Supplement)
$\begin{array}{c} 21 \\ 22 \end{array}$	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
23	Article - Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
24	26–102.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

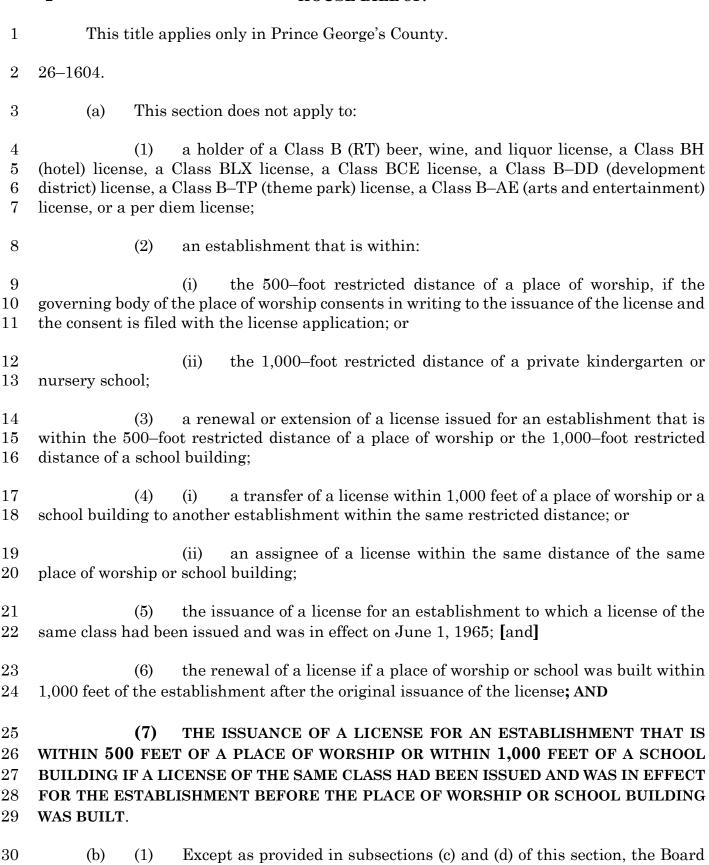
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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within 1,000 feet of a school building.



may not issue a license for an establishment that is within 500 feet of a place of worship or

1 (2)The distance from an establishment to a place of worship or school is to 2 be measured from the front door or main entrance of the establishment, whichever is 3 nearest the street abutting the site, along the nearest usual pedestrian route to: 4 (i) the closest door that is used as an entrance or exit to the school; 5 or 6 the main entrance of the place of worship. (ii) 7 The restriction on the distance between the location of a school and a licensed 8 premises does not apply to a Class B-ECF/DS license. 9 (d) In the part of the Gateway Arts and Entertainment District located in 10 Hyattsville, as designated by the Secretary of Commerce, the front door or main entrance of an establishment for which a Class D beer and wine license is issued may be used if the 11 12 door or entrance is at least 350 feet from a place of worship. 13 (2)In College Park, the Board may issue a license for an establishment 14 that is more than 400 feet from a school building if the land on which the establishment is located is in a commercial district. 15 16 In Laurel, the Board may issue a license for an establishment 17 regardless of its distance from a place of worship. SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July

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