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## Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Town of Kensington MC 15-20

House Bill 860 updates outdated language and hours in the Alcoholic Beverages Article relating to the Town. The bill also authorizes the Board of License Commissioners (BLC) to issue three Beer and Wine Tasting licenses and allows the BLC to issue additional Class A-K licenses at the request of the Town following a public hearing in front of the Town council.

Under current law, the BLC may issue no more than four Class A-K licenses. A Class A-K license allows the license holder to sell beer and wine for off-premises. In addition, the bill authorizes a Class 9 Limited Distillery license holder to sell its distilled products for on- and off-premises consumption.

Montgomery County supports House Bill 860 with the clarifying amendments approved by the Montgomery County House Delegation.