



Maryland State Licensed
Beverage Association



LICENSED BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTORS OF MARYLAND



DATE: February 21, 2022
TO: House Economic Matters Committee
FROM: Above Organizations
RE: SUPPORT — House Bill 324 — Minority Participation in the Alcoholic Beverage Industry - Study

The organizations listed above, comprising Maryland-based manufacturers, Maryland-based wholesalers, and Maryland retailers, support House Bill 324.

House Bill 324 calls for a study of minority participation levels in the alcoholic beverage industry. Collectively, the industry believes that a study of this nature is important and may help identify ways that minority businesses can develop a larger presence in the industry. Our organizations look forward to participating in this effort.

For the reasons set forth above, we support House Bill 324 and ask that this Committee give the legislation a favorable report.