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**By: Carroll County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Carroll County - Alcoholic Beverages**  
3 **(Beer Tasting License)**

4 FOR the purpose of creating a beer tasting license in Carroll County; imposing conditions  
5 and restrictions on the license; specifying an annual fee; and generally relating to  
6 alcoholic beverages in Carroll County.

7 BY renumbering

8 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
9 Section 8-901 and the subtitle "Subtitle 9. Revitalization Districts", respectively  
10 to be Section 8-1001 and the subtitle "Subtitle 10. Revitalization Districts",  
11 respectively  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (1996 Replacement Volume)

14 BY adding to

15 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
16 Section 8-901 and the subtitle "Subtitle 9. Beer Tasting Licenses"  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (1996 Replacement Volume)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
20 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 8-901 and the subtitle "Subtitle 9. Revitalization  
21 Districts", respectively, of Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated Code of  
22 Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 8-1001 and the subtitle "Subtitle 10.  
23 Revitalization Districts", respectively.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland  
25 read as follows:

26 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

27 **SUBTITLE 9. BEER TASTING LICENSES.**

28 8-901.

29 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN CARROLL COUNTY.

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1 (B) IN THIS SECTION, "BOARD" MEANS THE BOARD OF LICENSE  
2 COMMISSIONERS.

3 (C) THE BOARD MAY APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF A BEER TASTING (BT)  
4 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE.

5 (D) THE LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED ONLY TO HOLDERS OF A BEER, WINE AND  
6 LIQUOR (BWL) OR A BEER AND WINE (BW) LICENSE.

7 (E) THE LICENSE PERMITS THE CONSUMPTION OF BEER AUTHORIZED TO BE  
8 SOLD BY THE BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE (BWL) OR THE BEER AND WINE  
9 LICENSE (BW) FOR TASTING OR SAMPLING PURPOSES ONLY. CONSIDERATION MAY  
10 NOT BE CHARGED OR EXACTED.

11 (F) THE BOARD SHALL REGULATE:

12 (1) THE QUANTITY OF BEER TO BE SERVED TO EACH PERSON;

13 (2) THE NUMBER OF BOTTLES OR OTHER CONTAINERS OF BEER FROM  
14 WHICH THIS QUANTITY IS BEING SERVED; AND

15 (3) THE SIZE OF THE BOTTLES OR OTHER CONTAINERS.

16 (G) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE:

17 (1) FOR HOLDERS OF A BWL LICENSE IS \$100 IN ADDITION TO THE COST  
18 OF THE BWL LICENSE; AND

19 (2) FOR HOLDERS OF A BW LICENSE IS \$100 IN ADDITION TO THE COST  
20 OF THE BW LICENSE.

21 (H) THE PRIVILEGES GRANTED BY THIS BEER TASTING LICENSE MAY NOT BE  
22 EXERCISED DURING THE MARYLAND WINE FESTIVAL.

23 (I) THE BOARD MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS PROVIDING ADDITIONAL  
24 REQUIREMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

25 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
26 October 1, 1997.