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**By: Senator Ruben (Montgomery County Administration) and Senators Teitelbaum, McCabe, and Hogan**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages - Conference Centers - Stadium Authority**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a special Class B license for any conference center jointly  
4 owned, operated, or financed by the Maryland Stadium Authority and other  
5 government entities that are physically connected to an adjacent hotel; providing for  
6 the scope of the license; providing for the issuance of the license and the payment  
7 of a certain fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages at any conference  
8 center jointly owned, operated, or financed by the Maryland Stadium Authority and  
9 other government entities.

10 BY adding to

11 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
12 Section 6-601  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (1996 Replacement Volume)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

18 6-601.

19 (A) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO ANY CONFERENCE CENTER FACILITY:

20 (1) JOINTLY OWNED, OPERATED, OR FINANCED BY THE MARYLAND  
21 STADIUM AUTHORITY AND A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF  
22 THAT POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THAT IS PHYSICALLY CONNECTED TO AN ADJACENT  
23 HOTEL; AND

24 (2) THAT PROVIDES FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE TO REGISTERED  
25 GUESTS AT THAT HOTEL.

26 (B) THERE IS A SPECIAL CLASS B LICENSE, KNOWN AS CLASS B-BWL (H-C),  
27 THAT SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR ISSUANCE TO A MANAGEMENT COMPANY OF THE  
28 FACILITY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION BY THE BOARD OF  
29 LICENSE COMMISSIONERS IN THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH THE FACILITY IS

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1 LOCATED. THE LICENSE MAY AUTHORIZE ONLY ON-SALE PRIVILEGES AT THE  
2 FACILITY AND THE ADJACENT HOTEL, INCLUDING SERVICE TO REGISTERED  
3 GUESTS IN THEIR ROOMS.

4 (C) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$2,500.

5 (D) THE PROVISIONS OF §§ 9-102 AND 10-103(B)(12) AND (15) OF THIS ARTICLE  
6 DO NOT APPLY TO THIS LICENSE.

7 (E) IN ANY JURISDICTION THAT HAS A FOOD-TO-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE  
8 RATIO REQUIREMENT FOR A CLASS B (ON-SITE) HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LICENSE,  
9 THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE RATIO REQUIREMENT IN THAT  
10 JURISDICTION APPLY TO THIS LICENSE.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 October 1, 1997.