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## CHAPTER

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1 AN ACT concerning

3 FOR the purpose of altering in Baltimore County the maximmm percentage of sales in
4 alcoholic beverages allowed for a restamant to qualify for an additional Class $B$
5 beer, wine and liquor license certain requirements for certain persons to be
6 qualified under certain circumstances for a certain additional Class B beer, wine
7 and liquor license; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in
8 Baltimore County.
9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
11 Section 9-102(b-3B)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)
14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
17 9-102.
18 (b-3B) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or § 8-204(1) of 19 this article, in Baltimore County, an individual, for the use of a sole proprietorship,
20 partnership, corporation, unincorporated association, or limited liability company in
21 the County, may obtain an additional Class B license up to a total of four Class B
22 (on-sale -- hotels and restaurants) beer, wine and liquor licenses under this article,

1 by making application in the regular manner and paying the usual fee if the
2 restaurants for which the licenses are sought:
3 (i) Meet the requirements of the rules and regulations of the Board 4 of License Commissioners regarding the availability and issuance of licenses;

5 (ii) Meet the definition requirements of "restaurant" established 6 under the regulations of the Board of License Commissioners;

7 (iii) Have a minimum seating capacity of $250 \underline{190}$ persons for dining;
8 (iv) Have a cocktail lounge or bar area seating capacity that does 9 not exceed 10 percent of the seating capacity for dining; and

10 (v) Have [less] NO MORE than [15] 20 percent of sales in alcoholic
11 beverages in connection with the business.
12 (2) One of the four licenses permitted under this subsection shall be a
13 Class BDR (deluxe restaurant) (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor license. Off-sale
14 privileges may not be conferred by these licenses.
15 (3) Nothing contained in this section may be construed to authorize the 16 issuance of more than four licenses to an individual for the use of a sole
17 proprietorship, partnership, corporation, unincorporated association, or limited
18 liability company in the County under this article, including Class B (on-sale --
19 hotels and restaurants), Class B (SB) restaurant - service bar beer, wine and liquor
20 (on-sale), Class B (TTC) restaurant beer, wine and liquor (on-sale), and Class BDR
21 (deluxe restaurant) (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor licenses.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 June 1, 1998.

