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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Dorchester County - Special Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Caterers**

3 FOR the purpose of allowing in Dorchester County the holder of a special Class C beer
4 license, a special Class C beer and wine license, or a special Class C beer, wine
5 and liquor license to ~~have an event catered~~ cater an event on the premises while
6 the license is effective; allowing the Dorchester County Board of License
7 Commissioners to issue special licenses of any class, ~~except for classes of~~
8 ~~manufacturer's and wholesaler's licenses~~ except for licenses issued by the
9 Comptroller, for events sponsored by certain organizations; specifying the fees
10 for the special licenses authorized by this Act; allowing the holder of a special
11 license of any class issued by the Board to ~~have an event catered~~ cater an event
12 on the premises while the license is effective; providing that a special license
13 issued under this Act shall be in the form provided by the Board; requiring a
14 licensee to sign the license; requiring the applicant to pay the fee before a license
15 is issued; and generally relating to special alcoholic beverages licenses and
16 caterers in Dorchester County.

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
18 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
19 Section 7-101(b), (d), and (n)
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

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Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

2 7-101.

3 (b) (1) (i) Subject to subsection (a) of this section, a special Class C beer
4 license or a special Class C beer and wine license entitles the holder to exercise any of
5 the privileges conferred by the respective classes of licenses for the use of any person
6 holding any bona fide entertainment conducted by any club, society or association at
7 the place described in the license, for a period not exceeding seven consecutive days
8 from the effective date thereof.

9 (ii) The fee is \$5 per day.

10 (2) In Anne Arundel County the fee is \$10 per day.

11 (3) In Baltimore City the fee is \$15 per day.

12 (4) In Baltimore County the fee is \$10 per day, except that for any bona
13 fide religious, fraternal, civic, war veterans', hospital or charitable organization, the
14 fee is \$5.

15 (5) In Carroll County the fee is \$50 per day.

16 (6) In Dorchester County:

17 (I) A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL CLASS C BEER LICENSE OR A SPECIAL
18 CLASS C BEER AND WINE LICENSE MAY ~~HAVE AN EVENT CATERED~~ CATER AN EVENT
19 AT THE PLACE DESCRIBED IN THE LICENSE ON THE EFFECTIVE DAYS OF THE
20 LICENSE; AND

21 (II) [the] THE fee is \$15 per day.

22 (7) In Frederick County the fee is \$10 per day.

23 (8) In Harford County the fee is \$10 per day.

24 (9) In Howard County the fee is \$15 per day.

25 (10) In Montgomery County the fee is \$15 per day.

26 (11) In Prince George's County:

27 (i) Except as provided in item (ii) of this paragraph, the fee is \$25
28 per day;

29 (ii) For a club, society, or association holding a casino or gambling
30 event, the fee is \$100 per day, which shall be paid by the club, society, or association
31 and shall be considered as part of the club's, society's, or association's special license
32 fee; and

1 (iii) The Board of License Commissioners may deny an application
2 for this license if it is determined that the applicant does not qualify under the
3 provisions of this article.

4 (12) In Washington County:

5 (i) The fee for a special Class C beer license is \$15 per day; and

6 (ii) The fee for a special Class C beer and light wine license is \$25
7 per day.

8 (13) In Wicomico County the fee is \$20 per day.

9 (d) (1) (i) A special Class C beer, wine and liquor license entitles the
10 holder to exercise any of the privileges conferred by this class of license for the use of
11 any person holding a bona fide entertainment conducted by a club, society, or
12 association at the place described for a period not exceeding seven consecutive days,
13 upon the payment of a fee of \$15 per day.

14 (ii) The provisions of § 11-517 of this article do not apply to holders
15 of this license. Alcoholic beverages sold under this special license shall be purchased
16 by such special license holder from retail dealers.

17 (2) In Anne Arundel County:

18 (i) A special beer, wine and liquor license, Class C licensee may
19 purchase beer from a wholesaler.

20 (ii) The fee is \$25 per day.

21 (3) In Baltimore City:

22 (i) The holder of a Class C special beer, wine and liquor license
23 may purchase beer and light wine from a wholesale dealer.

24 (ii) The fee is \$30 per day.

25 (4) (i) In Baltimore County:

26 1. The fee for this license is \$25 per day, except that for any
27 bona fide religious, fraternal, civic, war veterans', hospital or charitable organization,
28 the fee for this license is \$15; and

29 2. The holder of a special 7-day Class C beer, wine and liquor
30 license may purchase beer and light wine from a wholesale dealer.

31 (ii) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
32 holder of a special 7-day Class C beer, wine and liquor license may agree with the
33 holder of a wholesale license to deliver beer and wine on the effective days of the
34 license and accept returns on the same day of delivery.

1 (5) In Calvert County the fee for this license is \$25 per day, except that
2 for any bona fide religious, fraternal, civic, war veterans', hospital or charitable
3 organization, the fee for the license is \$15.

4 (6) In Carroll County the fee is \$30 per day.

5 (7) In Dorchester County:

6 (I) A HOLDER OF A CLASS C SPECIAL BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR
7 LICENSE MAY ~~HAVE AN EVENT CATERED~~ CATER AN EVENT AT THE PLACE
8 DESCRIBED IN THE LICENSE ON THE EFFECTIVE DAYS OF THE LICENSE; AND

9 (II) [the] THE fee is \$25 per day.

10 (8) In Frederick County the fee is \$30 per day.

11 (9) In Harford County the fee is \$20 per day.

12 (10) In Montgomery County the fee is \$30 per day.

13 (11) In Prince George's County:

14 (i) Except as provided in item (ii) of this paragraph, the fee is \$50
15 per day;

16 (ii) For a club, society, or association holding a casino or gambling
17 event, the fee is \$150 per day, which shall be paid by the club, society, or association
18 and shall be considered as part of the club's, society's, or association's special license
19 fee; and

20 (iii) The Board of License Commissioners may deny an application
21 for this license if it is determined that the applicant does not qualify under the
22 provisions of this article.

23 (12) In Wicomico County the fee is \$35 per day.

24 (n) (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY IN DORCHESTER COUNTY.

25 (2) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY GRANT A SPECIAL
26 LICENSE OF ANY CLASS, ~~EXCEPT FOR ANY MANUFACTURER'S OR WHOLESALER'S~~
27 ~~CLASS OF LICENSES EXCEPT FOR ANY LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COMPTROLLER,~~ THAT
28 ENTITLES THE HOLDER TO EXERCISE ANY OF THE PRIVILEGES CONFERRED BY THAT
29 CLASS AT AN EVENT CONDUCTED BY A CLUB, SOCIETY, ASSOCIATION, OR
30 ORGANIZATION.

31 (3) A LICENSE SHALL BE IN THE FORM PROVIDED BY THE BOARD, AND
32 THE LICENSEE SHALL SIGN THE LICENSE.

33 (4) THE FEES ARE:

1 (I) \$15 PER DAY FOR A BEER LICENSE OR A BEER AND LIGHT WINE
2 LICENSE; AND

3 (II) \$25 PER DAY FOR A BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

4 (5) AN APPLICANT SHALL PAY THE FEE TO THE BOARD BEFORE A
5 LICENSE IS ISSUED.

6 (6) A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY
7 ~~HAVE AN EVENT CATERED~~ CATER AN EVENT AT THE PLACE DESCRIBED IN THE
8 LICENSE ON THE EFFECTIVE DAYS OF THE LICENSE.

9 (7) The Dorchester County Board of License Commissioners may not
10 require the publication of an application for a special temporary alcoholic beverages
11 license as a prerequisite to the granting of such a license.

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