## By: Prince George's County Delegation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

## Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages - License Fees PG 306-00

FOR the purpose of increasing the annual fees for certain classes of alcoholic
beverages licenses in Prince George's County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages license fees in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
Section 3-101(a), 3-201(a), 3-301(a), 3-401(a), 5-101(a), 5-201(a), 5-301(a), 5-401(a), 6-101(a), 6-201(a), and 6-301(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)
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Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
Section 3-101(r), 3-201(r), 3-301(r), 3-401(r), 5-101(r), 5-201(r), 5-301(r), 5-401(r), 6-101(r), 6-201(r), 6-301(r), 8-409, 8-505, 8-702, and 8-1001
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
0 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

## 3-101.

(a) (1) A Class A beer license shall be issued by the license issuing authority 4 of the county in which the place of business is located. The holder of the license may 5 keep for sale and sell beer at retail in any quantity to any consumers at the place 26 described in the license. The holder shall deliver the beer in a sealed package or 27 container, which may not be opened nor its contents consumed on the premises where 28 sold.

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(r) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is [\$200] \$220.

4 3-201.
5 (a) (1) A Class B license shall be issued by the license issuing authority of 6 the county in which the place of business is located. The holder of the license may 7 keep for sale and sell beer at retail at any hotel or restaurant at the place described in 8 the license for consumption on the premises or elsewhere.

9 (2) The annual fee for the license shall be paid to the local collecting 10 agent before any license is issued, for distribution as provided.
(r) (1) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is [\$300] \$330.
(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County may not issue any Class B beer license with other than the privilege of selling beer for consumption on the icensed premises (on-sale only). However, licensees holding this class of license prior o July 1, 1975, who have been exercising the privilege of selling beer for consumption ,
(2) The annual fee for the license shall be paid to the local collecting agent before any license is issued, for distribution as provided.
(r) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is [\$200] \$220.

6 3-401.
27 (a) (1) A Class D beer license shall be issued by the license issuing authority 28 of the county in which the place of business is located. The holder of the license may
29 keep for sale and sell beer at retail at the place described in the license. The beer may
30 be consumed on the premises or elsewhere, but a license may not be issued for any
31 drugstore.
(2) The annual fee for the license shall be paid to the local collecting agent before any license is issued, for distribution as provided.
(r) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is [\$300] \$330.

15-101.
2 (a) (1) A Class A beer and light wine license shall be issued by the license 3 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. The holder of 4 the license may keep for sale and sell beer and light wines at retail, in any quantity to 5 any consumers, at the place described in the license. The holder shall deliver the beer 6 and light wines in a sealed package or container, which package or container may not 7 be opened nor its contents consumed on the premises where sold. 9 agent before any license is issued, for distribution as provided.
(r) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is [\$200] \$220.

1 5-201.
(a) (1) A Class B beer and light wine license shall be issued by the license issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. The holder may keep for sale and sell beer and light wines at retail at any hotel or restaurant, at the place described in the license, for consumption on the premises or elsewhere.
(2) The annual fee shall be paid to the local collecting agent before any license is issued.
(r) (1) This subsection applies only in Prince George's County.
(2) The annual license fee is [\$300] \$330.
(3) (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the Board of License Commissioners may not issue any Class B beer and light wine license with other than the privilege of selling beer and light wine for consumption on the licensed premises (on-sale only).
(ii) However, licensees holding this class of license prior to July 1, 1975, who have been exercising the privilege of selling alcoholic beverages for consumption off the licensed premises may continue to exercise this privilege.
(4) (i) There is a Class B-Stadium beer and light wine license.
(ii) The annual license fee is $[\$ 2,000] \$ 2,200$.
(iii) The license is a special 7-day Class B-Stadium (baseball stadium) license for on-sale consumption only for exclusive use on the premises of a baseball stadium owned or operated by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.
(iv) The license may be issued either to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission or to a private concessionaire that is under contract with the Commission.

2 years old or older.

4 does not apply to an applicant for a Class B-Stadium license.
(r) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is [\$300] \$330.

26 6-101.
27 (a) (1) A Class A beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license
28 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. The license
29 authorizes the holder to keep for sale and to sell all alcoholic beverages at retail, in
30 any quantity, at the place described in the license. The licensee shall deliver the
31 alcoholic beverages in a sealed package or container and the package or container
32 may not be opened nor its contents consumed on the premises where sold.
33 (2) The annual license fee shall be paid to the local collecting agent
34 before the license is issued, for distribution as provided.
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(3) A license may not be issued for any drugstore unless the applicant:

1 (i) Has been doing business at the location applied for, for at least
21 year prior to the date of the application for the license;
3 (ii) Is the assignee of a business established for that length of time 4 at the location applied for; or

5 (iii) Has been actually engaged in the retail drug business for a 6 period of not less than 3 years.

7 (r) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is [\$750] \$825.
8 6-201.
9 (a) (1) A Class B beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license 10 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located, and the 11 license authorizes its holder to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail 12 at any hotel or restaurant at the place described, for consumption on the premises or 13 elsewhere, or as provided in this section.

14 (2) The annual fee for this license is payable to the local collecting agent 15 before any license is issued, for distribution as provided in this article.

16 (3) (i) Except in Montgomery County or in the case of a contrary 17 provision in this subtitle, this license shall be issued, on approval of the application by 18 the board of license commissioners in any county in which a license may be issued for 19 the sale of beer, wine, and liquor, to the owner of any hotel which meets the following 20 minimum provisions:

1. The hotel building shall be originally constructed for hotel

22 purposes; be at least three stories in height; and contain at least one passenger
23 elevator;

24 25 accommodation of the public;
2. The hotel shall contain no less than 100 rooms for the
3. The hotel shall contain a dining room with facilities for 27 preparing and serving regular meals for at least 125 persons at one seating; and

29 than \$500,000.
(ii) The annual fee for this license is $\$ 2,000$.
(i) This subsection applies only in Prince George's County.
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2. "Board" means the Board of License Commissioners.
3. "Restaurant" means any establishment:

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9 chairs or booths to comfortably seat and accommodate patrons;
consumed in these premises.
2. The annual license fee for this privilege is $[\$ 2,000] \$ 2,200$.

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7 be a restaurant.
(vi) Any drug, candy or confectionery store may not be construed to George's County do not apply to an issuance, renewal or transfer of this license.
(4) (i) There is a special Class B license known as Class BH, which

30 may be issued only to hotels.
(ii) The annual license fee is $[\$ 3,500] \$ 3,850$.
(iii) In this paragraph "hotel" means an establishment:
A. Not less than 45 bedrooms;
B. A lobby with registration and mail desk and seating

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4 and the sale of food exceeds the average daily receipts from the sale of alcoholic
5 beverages; and

10 and other similar costs but excluding the cost of land furnishings and removable
11 equipment and personal property, is not less than $\$ 30,000$ per bedroom.
(iv) Class BH licenses are subject to all other provisions pertaining

13 to Class B beer, wine and liquor licenses, except that any restrictions against the sale
14 of alcoholic beverages on Sunday appearing in § 11-517 of this article and elsewhere
15 in this article do not apply; and any alcoholic beverages may not be sold, served or
16 consumed on the licensed premises on Sunday after 2 a.m. and before 12 noon.
7 (v) 1. In addition to the other privileges granted under this
18 paragraph, a holder of a Class BH beer, wine and liquor (on-sale) license for hotel use
19 may sell alcoholic beverages in sealed containers to hotel guests who are 21 years of
20 age or older if:

22 sold in sealed containers of under 200 milliliters;
B. The alcoholic beverages are sold from locked prestocked 24 private bars located within individual guest rooms; and

25 C. The charges for the alcoholic beverages sold are indicated
26 on the respective guest room bill.

27 28 hotel management is responsible for removing the bar key from the room.

37 license to which it is attached.

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3 subsection a special Sunday "on-sale" permit to allow the holder to keep for sale and 4 to sell at retail beer, wine and liquor on Sunday for consumption on the licensed 5 premises.

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41 include the cost of land, buildings or a lease.

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2100 persons.
3. The restaurant shall have a minimum seating capacity of
4. The Board has complete discretion as to whom these

4 licenses may be issued, the number to be issued, and whether an existing license
5 holder of an alcoholic beverages license may also have an interest in one Class BLX
6 license.
5. Subject to sub-subparagraphs 6, 7, and 8 of this 8 subsection, an individual or corporation may hold not more than 6 Class BLX 9 licenses.
6. A license holder may be issued a fifth BLX license only if 11 the date of application for a fifth license is at least 1 year after the date the license 2 holder was issued the fourth license.
8. In determining whether to issue a fifth or sixth BLX 7 license to a single license holder, the Board of License Commissioners for Prince 18 George's County:
A. Shall consider the number of licensed establishments 20 existing in the area surrounding the site of the proposed licensed establishment; and
B. May issue the additional license only if the Board
9. This license is limited and restricted to the purpose of 25 providing alcoholic beverages for consumption on the licensed premises only, with no 6 off-sale privileges to be exercised.
10. The residency requirements specified in § 9-101 of this 28 article as it pertains to Prince George's County do not apply to Class BLX licenses.
(iv) If the requirements under subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph 30 are satisfied, the Board of License Commissioners may issue or transfer one Class
31 BLX license on behalf of any of the following:

1. Prince George's County;
2. The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning
3. A private concessionaire under contract with either:
A. Prince George's County; or 4 the profit realized from the sale of alcoholic beverages under this license may be for 5 the use and benefit of Prince George's County, the Maryland-National Capital Park 6 and Planning Commission, or a concessionaire under contract as provided under 7 subparagraph (iv) of this paragraph.
B. The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning
suparagraph (iv) of this paragraph.
(7) (i) 1. There is an arena license.
4. "Person" means a natural person, an association, a firm, a partnership, a corporation, or the County Council of Prince George's County.
(ii) The annual license fee is $[\$ 10,000] \$ 11,000$.
(iii) 1. The Board may issue a Class B, beer, wine and liquor license, known as an "arena license", for the sale of beer, wine, and liquor by the drink and by the bottle within the arena, from one or more outlets, for consumption on the licensed premises.
5. This license shall be issued only to the person, firm, or corporation owning or leasing an arena, one of whom shall be a resident of the State of Maryland, or to a concessionaire designated by the person, firm, or corporation owning or leasing the arena. The concessionaire need not be a resident of the State of Maryland.
(iv) The Board shall prescribe regulations pertaining to the manner of dispensing alcoholic beverages, the number of outlets authorized to dispense alcoholic beverages, and the hours and days of sale.
(v) The licensee is subject to all of the provisions of this article and to the regulations of the Board.
(vi) The residency requirements specified in § 9-101 of this article as it pertains to Prince George's County do not apply to arena licenses.
(8) (i) There is a Class BCE license.
(ii) The annual license fee is $[\$ 3,000] \$ 3,300$.
(iii) The Board may issue a special Class B on-sale beer, wine and liquor license to be known as Class BCE which shall be issued only to catering establishments.
(iv) A catering establishment shall be defined by the regulations of the Board which shall require that:
6. The catering establishment have a minimum capital 2 investment of \$500,000 for dining room facilities and kitchen equipment. This sum
3 may not include the cost of land, buildings, or a lease; and

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10 participants of catered events only, and off-sale privileges may not be exercised.
11 (9) (i) There is a Class B/ECF license.

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14 article, the Board may issue a Class B/ECF, beer, wine and liquor license, to be known
15 as an "educational conference facility" license, to the University of Maryland,
16 University College Center of Adult Education.
2. The licensee may sell beer, wine, and liquor by the drink 18 within the Center, from one or more outlets, for consumption on the licensed premises
19 to any person or persons authorized by the proper authority to use the Center. The
20 application for this license shall be filed and processed in the normal manner.
21 (iv) The policies of the Center that pertain to the sponsorship of 22 events where alcoholic beverages may be sold shall be filed with the application.
(v) 1. The license shall be issued to the individual authorized by 4 the University College Center of Adult Education of the University of Maryland to act 5 for it, assume all responsibility, and be subject to all the penalties, conditions, and
26 restrictions imposed upon licenses under this article. The individual shall be a
27 resident and registered voter of Prince George's County.
3. The residency requirements specified in § 9-101 of this 31 article as it pertains to Prince George's County do not apply to Class B/ECF licenses.

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5 6 wherein the average daily receipts from the sale of foods exceed the average daily 7 receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages, and which is located within:

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9 Historic Places; or
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11 significance because it:
A. A building that appears on the National Register of
B. A building that has historic, cultural, or architectural
2. In addition to the criteria in sub-subparagraph 1 of this 30 subparagraph, a country inn must meet all the following criteria:

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32 appropriate age.
A. The exterior of the building must give the appearance of

1 2 areas open to the public must be decorated and furnished in the style appropriate to 3 the period in which the building was constructed, or the period the building was 4 constructed to exemplify. However, electric lighting may be used if the lighting 5 fixtures are of a style compatible with the decor of the inn. 7 customarily are in view of patrons in the dining area must be attired in clothing or 8 costume appropriate to the period exemplified by the inn. 0 exemplify the kind of entertainment typical of the period represented by the inn.
3. The Board may adopt regulations that specify additional 2 standards and criteria not inconsistent with this section. 14 issued, the number to be issued, and whether an existing license holder of an alcoholic 15 beverages license in Prince George's County may also have an interest in one Class 16 B-CI license.
(vi) A licensee may not hold more than two Class B-CI licenses.
(vii) Class B-CI licenses are limited and restricted to the purpose of providing alcoholic beverages for consumption on the licensed premises only, with no 0 off-sale privileges to be exercised therewith.
2. The special 7-day Class B-ECR on-sale beer, wine and 31 liquor license authorizes the sale of beer, wine, and liquor by the drink for
32 consumption on the restaurant premises by the holder or a private concessionaire
33 under contract with the holder to operate the licensed premises.
(v) 1. A special 7-day Class B-ECR on-sale beer, wine and

35 liquor license shall be issued to the Commission for use in the Commission's
36 Equestrian Center restaurant upon the Commission's making application and
37 qualifying as a license holder under this article.

2 does not apply to an applicant for this license under this paragraph.

4 holder of a license issued pursuant to this paragraph may be for the use and benefit 5 of the Commission. 9 (on-sale) license known as a Class B-Education Conference Facility/Dining Service 10 license (Class B-ECF/DS license).
(iv) A Class B-ECF/DS license may only be issued to an individual 12 who is:

21 University-related functions catered by the Department of Dining Services.
(vii) 1. A Class B-ECF/DS license is restricted to on-sale
2. Prior to the issuance of this license, shall designate the 34 exact campus locations for the outlets for the sale of alcoholic beverages under this
35 license;

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2 outlets for verification upon the renewal of this license;

4 University of Maryland, College Park to report to the Board at least 5 days in advance 5 of all University-related catered functions at which beer, wine, or liquor is intended 6 to be sold or served; and

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8 license issued by the Board.
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10 under § 11-517 of this article.
(xi) The restriction on the distance between the location of a school 12 and an alcoholic beverages licensed premises does not apply to a Class B-ECF/DS 13 license. 14 (xii) The general prohibition on the number of alcoholic beverages 15 licenses for the same person or premises does not apply to a Class B-ECF/DS license.

16 (13) (i) There is a Class B beer, wine and liquor stadium license.
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[^0]25 (a) (1) A Class C beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license 26 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. It authorizes 27 the holder to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail at any club, at the 28 place described in the license, for consumption on the premises only.

29 (2) The annual fee for the license shall be paid to the local collecting 30 agent before the license is issued, for distribution as provided.

31 (3) In this section, "Board" means the Board of Commissioners for the 32 jurisdiction to which the subsection applies.

33 (r) (1) This subsection applies only in Prince George's County.
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(2) (i) There is a veterans' license.
(ii) The annual license fee is [\$750] \$825.
(iii) The license shall be issued to any local unit of a nationwide

3 bona fide nonprofit organization or club that:

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5 forces of the United States in any war in which the United States has engaged;

7 to the time of making application for the license;

9 and dues of not less than $\$ 5$ per year per person;

11 guests when accompanied by such members; and

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15 relating to beer, wine and liquor licenses, Class C , in force and effect in Prince
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20 any bona fide nonprofit and nationwide fraternal or service organization that:
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25 prior to the time of making application for the license;

27 and dues of not less than $\$ 5$ per year per person; and

29 use of its members and their guests when accompanied by the members, and not
30 directly or indirectly owned or operated as a public business.
(iv) The licensee may keep for sale and sell at retail any alcoholic beverages to any member or guest when accompanied by a member for consumption on the licensed premises.

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34 35 relating to beer, wine and liquor licenses, Class C, in force and effect in Prince

1 George's County, except that restrictions on the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday
2 found in § 11-517 of this article and elsewhere do not apply.
(vi) The licensee may permit persons who have leased a private 4 room or other area of the licensed premises for a private social gathering to bring 5 beer, wine, and liquor onto the licensed premises, provided that it is consumed on the 6 premises. persons;
4) (i) There is a special Class C (yacht club) license in Prince George's
(ii) The annual license fee is $[\$ 1,300] \$ 1,430$.
(iii) A license may be issued to a yacht club that:

1. Has 50 or more bona fide members paying dues of not less than $\$ 75$ per year per member;
2. That maintains at the time of application for the license a clubhouse with a seating capacity sufficient to accommodate at one time at least 100
3. Has slips or berths for 75 boats or more; and
4. Has at least 5 acres of ground.
(iv) The licensee may keep for sale and sell at retail any alcoholic beverages, to any member or guest when accompanied by a member at the place described in the license.
(v) Alcoholic beverages may be consumed on the licensed premises
(vi) The licensee is subject to all the provisions of this article relating to beer, wine and liquor licenses, Class C, in force and effect in Prince George's County. Restrictions on the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday found in § 11-517 of this article and elsewhere do not apply.
(vii) The application for license filed on behalf of any such yacht club shall be signed by at least one officer of the club, who shall be a resident, registered voter, and taxpayer of Prince George's County.
(5) (i) There is a special Class C (golf and country club) license.
(ii) The annual license fee is $[\$ 1,500] \$ 1,650$.
(iii) The license may be issued to any golf and country club that:
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4 more tennis courts, a swimming pool at least 30 by 80 feet in size, and a regular or
5 championship golf course of 9 holes or more; or
(iv) The licensee may keep for sale and sell at retail any alcoholic

11 beverages, to any customer at the place described in the license.

19 shall be made only to the bona fide members of the golf and country club and to
20 of those members for consumption on the premises and the grounds of the club used
21 in connection with the club.
(6) (i) There is a special Class C (country club) license.
(ii) The annual license fee is $\$ 1,000$.
(iii) The license may be issued to a country club meeting the

26 requirements for a regular or championship golf course of 9 holes or more. Instead, 7 the club shall have, in addition to the other requirements, not less than 15 acres of 8 ground for the licensed premises and used in connection therewith. Licensees are subject to restrictions appearing in § 11-517 of this article as to sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday.
(i) There is a special Class C (concession) beer, wine and liquor
(iv) Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed off their premises or
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(ii) The annual license fee is $[\$ 1,500] \$ 1,650$. The fee shall be paid 2 prior to its issuance, regardless of any terms or conditions in any contractual 3 agreement between the concessionaire and Prince George's County.

4 5 subject to contractual agreement with Prince George's County on the premises of any 6 golf and country club or country club owned by Prince George's County. 8 sell at retail any alcoholic beverages by the drink or the bottle for consumption on the 9 premises only.
10 (v) The concessionaire may be any natural person, association, 11 firm, partnership, or corporation approved as such by the County Council and shall be 12 a resident of the State of Maryland.
(vi) The Board shall regulate the manner of dispensing alcoholic 14 beverages, and shall authorize the number of outlets permitted to dispense alcoholic 15 beverages on the licensed premises.

16 8-409.
17 (a) (1) In Prince George's County, the Board of License Commissioners may 18 approve the issuance of a wine tasting (WT) alcoholic beverages license.

19 (2) The license is issued only to holders of a beer, wine and liquor (BWL) 20 or a beer and wine (BW) license.

21 (3) The license permits the consumption of wine, containing not more 22 than 14 percent of alcohol by volume, for tasting or sampling purposes only.

23 (4) The licensee may not serve more than 1 ounce from each given brand 24 to any one person.
(5) The annual license fee:
(i) For holders of a BWL license, is [\$100] \$110 in addition to the

27 cost of the BWL license; and
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29 cost of the BW license.
30 (b) The Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners may adopt 31 rules or regulations providing additional requirements to implement this section.

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33 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
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(2) "Board" means the Prince George's County Board of License

35 Commissioners.
(2) The special 7-day Class B-GC on-sale beer and wine license 7 authorizes the holder to sell beer and wine from 1 or more outlets for consumption on 8 the premises of the golf course. 4 and wine under this license are from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, Monday through 5 Sunday.
(c) There is a Class B-DH (drafthouse) license.
(d) (1) A Class B-DH (drafthouse) license shall be issued by the office where 0 Class B licenses are issued in the county in which the drafthouse is located.
(2) The license authorizes the holder to keep for sale and sell beer and 2 wine at retail in any drafthouse described in the license for consumption on the 33 premises only.
(e) (1) The annual license fee is [\$200] \$220.
(f) Applicants for this license shall:
(3) Present a family matinee every Saturday and holiday that the 8 theatre is open for business;
(4) Submit to the Board of License Commissioners for its prior written 10 approval the menu the drafthouse intends to offer, which shall include both hot and 11 cold food;

12 (5) Provide beer and wine at tables and seats in the drafthouse, but may 13 not have a bar except for a service bar; and

14 (6) Except when showing a family matinee, make beer and wine 15 available for purchase only prior to and during the motion picture show, but all 16 service shall cease at the end of the program.

17 (g) The hours and days for sale are as provided in § 11-517(k) of this article.
18 (h) The Board of License Commissioners shall determine the number of Class
19 B-DH (drafthouse) licenses to be issued.
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21 (a) In this section, "district" means:
(1) A designated Maryland main street with a local management

23 authority;
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25 29 office where Class B licenses are issued in the County.
(3) Only on-sale consumption is permitted.

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12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take 13 effect October 1, 2000.


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