
By: **Senator Colburn**

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Assigned to: Economic and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Wicomico County - Alcohol Awareness Program - Certified Employees**

3 FOR the purpose of adding Wicomico County to the list of counties that require that
4 the licensee of a retail alcoholic beverages premises, or a certain employee of the
5 licensee, be certified by an approved awareness program and be present during
6 the hours in which alcohol may be sold; and generally relating to alcoholic
7 beverages sold at retail alcoholic beverages premises in Wicomico County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 13-101(c)(1)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
15 Section 13-101(c)(2)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

20 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

21 13-101.

22 (c) (1) A holder of any class of retail alcoholic beverages license or an
23 employee designated by the holder shall complete training in an approved alcohol
24 awareness program. The training shall be valid for a period of 4 years, and the holder
25 shall complete retraining in an approved program for each successive 4-year period.

26 (2) (i) This paragraph applies only in the following jurisdictions:

27 1. Howard County; [and]

1 2. Montgomery County; AND

2 3. WICOMICO COUNTY.

3 (ii) The licensee or a person who is employed in a supervisory
4 capacity designated by the licensee:

5 1. Shall be certified by an approved alcohol awareness
6 program; and

7 2. Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (iii) of this
8 paragraph, be present during the hours in which alcohol may be sold.

9 (iii) 1. In Howard County, the person certified by an approved
10 alcohol awareness program may be absent from the licensed premises for a bona fide
11 personal or business reason or an emergency, if the absence lasts for no more than 2
12 hours.

13 2. The Board of License Commissioners shall require the
14 licensee to keep a log book on the licensed premises that contains documentation of
15 each temporary absence, the length of time of the absence, and the reason for the
16 absence, in the form required by the Board of License Commissioners.

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