
By: **Delegate Love**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class H Licenses**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a provision that prohibits the Anne Arundel County
4 Board of License Commissioners from issuing under certain circumstances
5 multiple Class H beer and wine licenses to an unlicensed restaurant franchisee;
6 and generally relating to the issuance of multiple Class H alcoholic beverages
7 licenses in Anne Arundel County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 9-102(h-1)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

16 9-102.

17 (h-1) (1) A current holder of a Class H alcoholic beverages license in Anne
18 Arundel County may be issued a second license by the Anne Arundel County Board of
19 License Commissioners if:

20 (i) The second license is a Class H (beer, wine and liquor) license or
21 a Class H (beer and wine) license; and

22 (ii) The restaurant for which the Class H license under item (i) of
23 this paragraph is sought is located within:

24 1. A suburban community center designated by Anne
25 Arundel County in accordance with Bill Nos. 36-96 and 70-96 of the ordinances of
26 Anne Arundel County; or

1 F. The Route 198 corridor, consisting of properties located
2 within 500 feet of the right-of-way of Maryland Route 198, from Route 32 on the east
3 to the Prince George's County-Anne Arundel County line on the west.

4 (3) [A person who independently owns and operates a restaurant that is
5 part of a common franchise corporate entity may:

6 (i) Be issued only one Class H (beer and wine) license by the Anne
7 Arundel County Board of License Commissioners if the person did not hold a retail
8 alcoholic beverages license in Anne Arundel County on January 1, 2000; or

9 (ii) Be issued one additional Class H (beer and wine) license by the
10 Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners, in accordance with paragraph
11 (1) of this subsection, if the person held a Class H (beer and wine) license in Anne
12 Arundel County on January 1, 2000.

13 (4)] The Board may not issue more than 30 additional Class H licenses
14 under this subsection.

15 [(5)] (4) The Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners
16 shall adopt regulations to carry out this subsection.

17 [(6)] (5) The Anne Arundel County Economic Development Corporation,
18 in consultation with the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County:

19 (i) Shall conduct a comprehensive study of the impact of this
20 subsection on the economy of Anne Arundel County; and

21 (ii) On or before January 1, 2006, shall submit its findings and
22 recommendations to the Anne Arundel County House Delegation, the Anne Arundel
23 County Senate Delegation, the County Executive for Anne Arundel County, and the
24 Anne Arundel County Council.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 June 1, 2001.