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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages - Stadium License - Sale of Liquor**

3 FOR the purpose of expanding the scope of the Harford County stadium alcoholic
4 beverages license to include the sale of liquor under certain circumstances;
5 expanding the scope of the individuals and entities to whom the stadium license
6 may be issued; defining certain terms; setting forth certain limitations with
7 respect to where liquor may be served during baseball games, the kinds of
8 containers that alcoholic beverages must be served in, and the kinds of
9 dispensers to be used for alcoholic beverages; increasing the annual fee for the
10 stadium alcoholic beverages license; requiring the prior written approval of the
11 Harford County Liquor Control Board for certain activities; making stylistic
12 changes; ~~making this Act an emergency measure~~; and generally relating to the
13 Harford County stadium alcoholic beverages license.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 8-213.1 and 11-513
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2001 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

1 8-213.1.

2 (a) This section applies only in Harford County.

3 (b) There is a stadium [beer and light wine] on-sale license in Harford
4 County.

5 (c) (1) The Liquor Control Board may issue a stadium [beer and light wine
6 on-sale license] ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE FOR A STADIUM OWNED BY THE
7 CITY OF ABERDEEN COVERING ON-PREMISES SALE OF BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR to
8 the owner [or lessee], LESSEE, OR CONCESSION MANAGER of a professional baseball
9 stadium for use on the [stadium] LICENSED premises.

10 (2) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION:

11 (I) "CONCESSION MANAGER" MEANS A SINGLE INDIVIDUAL OR
12 SINGLE ENTITY CONTRACTUALLY OBLIGATED TO PROVIDE AND SUPERVISE
13 COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT OF ALL FOOD AND BEVERAGE SALES BY
14 CONCESSIONAIRES ON THE LICENSED PREMISES; AND

15 (II) "LICENSED PREMISES" INCLUDES THE STADIUM FACILITY AND
16 STADIUM PARKING LOTS.

17 (d) (1) [A] SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
18 SUBSECTION, A stadium [beer and light wine on-sale] ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
19 license authorizes the holder to sell beer [and, if sold with a meal, light wine], WINE,
20 AND LIQUOR on the licensed premises:

21 [(1)] (I) For consumption only on the licensed premises;

22 [(2)] (I) In a plastic, styrofoam, or paper container, except that a glass
23 container may be used in an enclosed dining area in which patrons are seated;

24 (3) To a person present:

25 (i) At a baseball game in which the team of the licensee or lessee is
26 playing; or

27 (ii) At another event that is held at the stadium;] and

28 [(4)] (II) During the hours and days for sale specified in § 11-513 of this
29 article.

30 (2) THE SALE, SERVING, OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
31 ON THE PARKING LOTS OF THE STADIUM MAY BE ALLOWED ONLY WITH THE PRIOR
32 WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD.

33 (E) THE FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS SHALL APPLY:

1 (1) ALL INDIVIDUALS SERVING BEER, WINE, OR LIQUOR SHALL HOLD
2 VALID CERTIFICATES FROM AN ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE
3 LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD;

4 (2) DURING A BASEBALL GAME, LIQUOR MAY ONLY BE SERVED ON THE
5 CLUB LEVEL OR DINING AREA IN WHICH PATRONS ARE SEATED;

6 (3) DURING A BASEBALL GAME, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MUST BE
7 SERVED IN A PLASTIC, STYROFOAM, OR PAPER CONTAINER, EXCEPT THAT A GLASS
8 CONTAINER MAY BE USED ON THE CLUB LEVEL OR DINING AREA IN WHICH PATRONS
9 ARE SEATED; AND

10 (4) (I) EXCEPT ON THE CLUB LEVEL OR DINING AREA IN WHICH
11 PATRONS ARE SEATED, ALL BEER AND WINE DISPENSED DURING A BASEBALL GAME
12 SHALL BE DISPENSED ONLY FROM A STATIONARY STRUCTURE, LOCATED WITHIN
13 THE STADIUM, EQUIPPED WITH A MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENSE SCANNER;
14 AND

15 (II) NO ROVING VENDORS SHALL BE ALLOWED TO DISPENSE BEER,
16 WINE, OR LIQUOR.

17 [(e)] (F) The annual license fee is [\$5,000] \$10,000.

18 [(f)] (G) Except for a wholesaler of beer [or wine], WINE, OR LIQUOR who is
19 conducting business with the licensee under this section, a licensee may not allow a
20 person to carry alcoholic beverages onto or from the licensed premises.

21 11-513.

22 (a) The provisions of this section apply in Harford County only.

23 (b) (1) A licensee may sell, offer for [sale] SALE, or dispense alcoholic
24 beverages [or light wine]:

25 (i) On Monday through Sunday; and

26 (ii) Only between 8 a.m. and 2 a.m. the following morning.

27 (2) A Class B-4 (seafood restaurant) licensee may offer to sell beer and
28 wine:

29 (i) On Mondays through Saturdays from 5:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.;

30 and

31 (ii) On Sundays from 12 noon to 11:00 p.m.

32 (3) [(i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, a
33 stadium beer and light wine licensee under § 8-213.1 of this article may sell or offer
34 to sell beer or light wine:

35 1. Monday through Saturday from 12 noon to 9 p.m.; and

