
By: **Washington County Delegation**
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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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

3 FOR the purpose of requiring in Washington County that certain persons be certified
4 by an approved alcohol awareness program and be present during certain hours;
5 providing for a certain limited exemption; and generally relating to alcoholic
6 beverages licensees in Washington County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
9 Section 13-101(c)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

14 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

15 13-101.

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

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

- 21 1. Howard County;
- 22 2. Montgomery County; [and]
- 23 3. Kent County; AND
- 24 4. WASHINGTON COUNTY.

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

3 1. Shall be certified by an approved alcohol awareness
4 program; and

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

7 (iii) 1. In Howard [County and] COUNTY, Kent County, AND
8 WASHINGTON COUNTY, the person certified by an approved alcohol awareness
9 program may be absent from the licensed premises for a bona fide personal or
10 business reason or an emergency, if the absence lasts for no more than 2 hours.

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

15 (3) (i) This paragraph applies only in Harford County.

16 (ii) The licensee or a person who is employed in a supervisory
17 capacity designated by the licensee shall be certified by an approved alcohol
18 awareness program and shall be present during the hours in which alcohol may be
19 sold.

20 (4) (i) This paragraph applies only to a bottle club as defined in §
21 20-102(a) of this article, in Baltimore City.

22 (ii) Any bottle club owner or a person who is employed in a
23 supervisory capacity designated by the owner shall be certified by an approved
24 alcohol awareness program and shall be present during the hours in which alcohol is
25 served or consumed.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 October 1, 2004.