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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Wicomico County - Catering License - Class B Beer and Light Wine**
3 **Licensees**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Wicomico County Board of License
5 Commissioners to issue a caterer's license for a certain fee to the holder of a
6 Class B restaurant or hotel (on-sale) beer and light wine license; authorizing a
7 holder of a Class B beer and light wine catering license to provide beer and light
8 wine at certain events off the Class B licensed premises; establishing the hours
9 and days for sale for a Class B beer and light wine catering license; requiring
10 that a holder of a Class B beer and light wine catering license serve food at a
11 catered event; clarifying that a catering license is not required for catering on
12 Class B beer and light wine licensed premises; making a stylistic change;
13 making a technical correction; and generally relating to a Class B beer and light
14 wine catering license.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
17 Section 6-709
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

22 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

23 6-709.

- 24 (a) (1) This section applies only in Wicomico County.
- 25 (2) In this section, "Board" means the Board of License Commissioners.
- 26 (b) The annual license fee is \$550.
- 27 (c) (1) The Board may issue a caterer's license.

1 (2) If a caterer's license is issued, it shall only be issued to a holder of
2 [a]:

3 (I) A CLASS B RESTAURANT OR HOTEL (ON-SALE) BEER AND LIGHT
4 WINE LICENSE; OR

5 (II) A Class B restaurant or hotel (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor
6 license.

7 (d) A caterer's license issued under this section authorizes [the holder]:

8 (1) THE HOLDER OF A CLASS B BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSE TO
9 PROVIDE BEER AND LIGHT WINE AT EVENTS THAT ARE HELD OFF THE CLASS B
10 RESTAURANT OR HOTEL (ON-SALE) BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSED PREMISES;
11 AND

12 (2) THE HOLDER OF A CLASS B BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE to
13 provide alcoholic beverages at events that are held off the Class B restaurant or hotel
14 (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor [license] LICENSED premises.

15 (e) The holder shall provide food as well as alcoholic beverages for
16 consumption at the catered event.

17 (f) A holder may exercise the privileges under this license only during the
18 hours and days that are [permitted in] ALLOWED UNDER this article for [a Class B
19 restaurant or hotel (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor license] THE UNDERLYING CLASS
20 B LICENSE.

21 (g) This section does not require a holder of an existing CLASS B RESTAURANT
22 OR HOTEL (ON-SALE) BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSE OR A Class B restaurant or
23 hotel (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor license to have a caterer's license for catering on
24 the premises that is covered by the Class B license.

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