

(PRE-FILED)

By: **Senator Pipkin**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Queen Anne's County - Special Maryland Wine Licensing Privilege**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Queen
4 Anne's County to issue a special Maryland Wine License Privilege to certain
5 applicants; specifying qualifications for the Privilege; authorizing a holder of the
6 Privilege to sell certain wine under certain circumstances; specifying an annual
7 fee for the Privilege; specifying that the Privilege is not a separate class of
8 license; clarifying the class of license for which a certain license fee is required;
9 making technical corrections; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in
10 Queen Anne's County.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
13 Section 6-201(s)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

18 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

19 6-201.

20 (s) (1) This subsection applies only in Queen Anne's County.

21 (2) (I) The annual license fee FOR A CLASS B BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR
22 LICENSE is \$1,000.

23 [(3)] (II) This license provides for the consumption of wine and liquor on
24 the premises only.

25 [(4)] (3) (i) The Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class B
26 beer, wine and liquor on-sale license for use in a conference center.

1 (ii) The annual fee is \$1,500.

2 (iii) To qualify for a license under this paragraph, the conference
3 center shall have the following facilities to accommodate at least 100 persons:

- 4 1. A kitchen facility;
- 5 2. A dining facility; and
- 6 3. Overnight facilities.

7 (iv) The holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises
8 consumption to persons attending an event at the conference center.

9 (4) (I) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A
10 SPECIAL MARYLAND WINE LICENSE PRIVILEGE.

11 (II) TO QUALIFY FOR A SPECIAL MARYLAND WINE LICENSE
12 PRIVILEGE, AN APPLICANT SHALL BE A HOLDER OF A CLASS B (ON-SALE) BEER AND
13 LIGHT WINE LICENSE OR ANY BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

14 (III) A SPECIAL MARYLAND WINE LICENSE PRIVILEGE AUTHORIZES
15 THE HOLDER TO SELL WINE BY THE BOTTLE FOR OFF-SALE CONSUMPTION.

16 (IV) THE ANNUAL FEE FOR THE SPECIAL MARYLAND WINE LICENSE
17 PRIVILEGE IS \$100.

18 (V) THE SPECIAL MARYLAND WINE LICENSE PRIVILEGE IS NOT A
19 SEPARATE CLASS OF LICENSE BUT SHALL BE CONSIDERED PART OF THE EXISTING
20 CLASS B BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSE OR BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE OF
21 THE HOLDER OF THE SPECIAL MARYLAND WINE LICENSE PRIVILEGE.

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