

**ENROLLED BILL**

-- Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Economic Matters --

Introduced by **Senator Colburn**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Wicomico County - Alcoholic Beverages - Wine Tasting and Sampling**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Liquor Control Board of Wicomico County to hold  
4 wine tasting and sampling promotional events in the county liquor dispensaries  
5 under certain circumstances; specifying certain limitations on the amount of  
6 wine that may be served and the number of bottles that may be ~~opened~~ open at  
7 an event; limiting the number of days during which events may be held in any  
8 12-month period in the county; prohibiting the mixture of contents of bottles;  
9 prohibiting events conducted using a drive-through window; and generally  
10 relating to wine tasting and sampling events in Wicomico County.

11 BY adding to  
12 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
13 Section 15-205(m)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

3 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

4 15-205.

5 (M) IN WICOMICO COUNTY, THE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD MAY HOLD WINE  
6 TASTING AND SAMPLING PROMOTIONAL EVENTS IN COUNTY LIQUOR DISPENSARIES  
7 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS:

8 (1) THE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD MAY NOT SERVE TO AN INDIVIDUAL  
9 MORE THAN 1 OUNCE FROM EACH BRAND AT AN EVENT;

10 (2) THE NUMBER OF BOTTLES THAT MAY BE ~~OPENED~~ OPEN AT ANY ONE  
11 TIME AT AN EVENT MAY NOT EXCEED SIX;

12 (3) THE NUMBER OF DAYS DURING WHICH EVENTS ARE CONDUCTED IN  
13 THE COUNTY MAY NOT EXCEED ~~15~~ 10 IN ANY 12-MONTH PERIOD;

14 (4) ONCE OPENED, EACH BOTTLE USED FOR AN EVENT SHALL BE  
15 MARKED THAT IT IS TO BE USED ONLY FOR THAT PURPOSE;

16 (5) THE CONTENTS OF EACH BOTTLE MAY NOT BE MIXED WITH THE  
17 CONTENTS OF ANY OTHER BOTTLE, AND ALL BOTTLES SHALL BE DESTROYED ONCE  
18 THEY ARE EMPTY; AND

19 (6) WINE TASTING AND SAMPLING MAY BE CONDUCTED FOR  
20 ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION ONLY AND MAY NOT BE CONDUCTED USING A  
21 DRIVE-THROUGH WINDOW.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
23 July 1, 2005.