

HOUSE BILL 62

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By: **Delegates Eckardt, Cane, and Haddaway**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Dorchester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class D License**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Dorchester
4 County to issue a Class D (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor license; specifying a
5 license fee; specifying that the license is for a certain period; requiring that
6 alcoholic beverages sold under the license be consumed only on the licensed
7 premises; prohibiting an individual under a certain age from being on the
8 licensed premises; providing that only the Board may decide the number of
9 Class D licenses to be issued; requiring the Board to determine whether the
10 premises for which a Class D license is issued meets certain requirements;
11 requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to
12 alcoholic beverages licenses in Dorchester County.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
15 Section 6–401(k)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 Section 9-210
2 Annotated Code of Maryland
3 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

6 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

7 6-401.

8 (k) (1) This [section does not apply] **SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY** in
9 Dorchester County.

10 (2) **THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A**
11 **CLASS D (ON-SALE) BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.**

12 (3) **THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$1,500.**

13 (4) **A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS A ~~7-DAY~~ 7-DAY**
14 **LICENSE.**

15 (5) **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SOLD UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY**
16 **BE CONSUMED ONLY ON THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

17 (6) **AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS MAY**
18 **NOT BE ON THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

19 (7) **IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 9-201 OF THIS ARTICLE, ONLY THE**
20 **BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY DECIDE THE NUMBER OF CLASS D**
21 **LICENSES TO BE ISSUED.**

22 (8) **THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS SHALL:**

23 (I) **DETERMINE WHETHER THE PREMISES FOR WHICH A**
24 **CLASS D LICENSE IS ISSUED MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 9-210 OF THIS**
25 **ARTICLE; AND**

26 (II) **ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBSECTION.**

27 9-210.

1 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, in Dorchester County,
2 a new license may not be granted to sell any alcoholic beverage on any premises
3 located within 300 feet of a church or public school.

4 (b) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to the granting of a license
5 for a premises located within the restricted distance if a license to sell alcoholic
6 beverages on the premises existed as of October 1, 1996.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 July 1, 2007.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.