HOUSE BILL 1089

A2 7lr0996 By: **Howard County Delegation** Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2007 Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations Re-referred to: Economic Matters, February 26, 2007 Committee Report: Favorable House action: Adopted Read second time: March 19, 2007 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Howard County - Alcoholic Beverages - Beer Tasting Ho. Co. 19-07 FOR the purpose of broadening the scope of the wine tasting license in Howard County to allow beer tasting under certain circumstances; prohibiting a holder of a beer and wine tasting license from serving more than a certain quantity of beer to a person in a single day; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the beer and wine tasting alcoholic beverages license in Howard County. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages Section 8-408.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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- 2 (a) (1) In Howard County, the Board of License Commissioners may issue 3 a **BEER AND** wine tasting **[(WT)] (BWT)** alcoholic beverages license.
- The [WT] **BWT** license authorizes the on-premises consumption of **BEER OR** wine, containing not more than 14% of alcohol by volume, for tasting or sampling only.
- 7 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the license may be 8 issued to holders of a Class A beer, wine and liquor (BWL) license or a Class A beer 9 and wine (BW) license.
 - (4) The licensee may not serve:
- 11 **(I) WINE IN A QUANTITY OF** more than 1 ounce from each given brand [to any one person] and no more than 4 ounces **FROM ALL BRANDS** to any one person in a single day; **OR**
- 14 (II) BEER IN A QUANTITY OF MORE THAN 3 OUNCES FROM
 15 EACH GIVEN BRAND AND NO MORE THAN 8 OUNCES FROM ALL BRANDS TO ANY
 16 ONE PERSON IN A SINGLE DAY.
- 17 (5) The annual license fee for the [WT] **BWT** license [shall be] **IS** \$100 in addition to the fee of any other alcoholic beverages license.
- 19 (b) The Howard County Board of License Commissioners may adopt rules or 20 regulations providing additional requirements to implement this section.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.