

# SENATE BILL 452

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(7lr1888)

## 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 **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;

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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.

*Italics indicate opposite chamber / conference committee amendments.*



1 requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to  
2 alcoholic beverages licenses in Dorchester County.

3 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
4 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
5 Section 6–401(k)  
6 Annotated Code of Maryland  
7 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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9 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
10 Section 9–210  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

16 6–401.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9 9-210.

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

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

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

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.