

HOUSE BILL 339

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By: **Delegates Pena–Melnik, Barnes, and Frush**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Beer Keg Sales – Registration Form**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a person who sells beer in kegs at retail to write certain
4 information about the purchaser on the registration form that the purchaser
5 must complete and sign before the keg is sold or otherwise transferred; making
6 a stylistic change; and generally relating to the sale of beer in kegs.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
9 Section 21–106(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
14 Section 21–106(b)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

19 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

20 21–106.

21 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

22 (2) “Keg” means a container of beer with a capacity of at least 4
23 gallons, which is designed to dispense beer directly from the container.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) “Keg licensee” means a person that holds an alcoholic beverages
2 license that authorizes that person to sell beer in kegs at retail.

3 (b) A keg licensee may not sell or otherwise transfer, or offer to sell or
4 otherwise transfer the contents of a keg for consumption off-premises unless:

5 (1) The keg licensee provides to the purchaser a keg registration form
6 approved and distributed by the State Comptroller that is designed to be affixed to the
7 keg and that indicates the name and address of the licensed establishment and a
8 registration number;

9 (2) The purchaser provides identification and completes and signs a
10 registration form with the following information:

11 (i) The purchaser’s name and address as shown on the
12 identification produced; and

13 (ii) The date of purchase; [and]

14 **(3) THE KEG LICENSEE WRITES ON THE REGISTRATION FORM**
15 **THE IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF THE PURCHASER’S:**

16 **(I) DRIVER’S LICENSE;**

17 **(II) PASSPORT; OR**

18 **(III) MILITARY IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND**

19 **[(3)](4)** The **KEG** licensee affixes the completed registration form to
20 the keg and retains a copy of the form for 30 days on the licensed premises.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 July 1, 2008.