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By: Cecil County Delegation

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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2	Cecil County - Alcoholic Beverages - Light Wine License Fees
3 4 5	FOR the purpose of establishing in Cecil County a certain fee for the issuance of new light wine licenses of any class; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Cecil County.
6 7 8 9 10	BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages Section 8–208(a)(1) Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
11 12 13 14 15	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages Section 8–208(c) Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
16 17	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
18	Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
19	8–208.
$\begin{array}{c} 20 \\ 21 \end{array}$	(a) (1) In Cecil County, the Board of License Commissioners may issue a 7–day beer, wine and liquor on–sale license to a club or organization.
22 23 24	(c) Any licensee in the county may apply at any time to the Board of License Commissioners for the issuance of any class or type of license other than the license then being held. The Board shall publish notice of the application in one newspaper of



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general circulation in the county on each of two successive weeks. Thereafter the 1 $\mathbf{2}$ Board shall hold a public hearing on the date fixed in the notice. The Board may 3 approve the application in its discretion, but in approving the application, the Board 4 shall consider the general reputation and character of the applicant, the manner of his 5 conducting and operating the business presently being licensed and the public 6 necessity for the license for which application is made. The Board, before approving 7 any application, shall require an inspection of the premises for which the application is made and shall require the premises to comply with all of the rules and regulations 8 9 of the Board applicable thereto. In all respects, other than as provided herein, the 10 application shall be subject to the requirements of the provisions of this article applicable in the county. The fee for the issuance of any license under this subsection 11 12 shall be as follows: For a change from one class of beer license to any other class of 13 beer license, from any class of beer and wine license to any other class of beer and wine license or from any class of beer, wine and liquor license to any other class of 14 beer, wine and liquor license, the fee for the transfer is \$1,000; for a change from any 15 class of either beer license or beer and wine license to the same class of beer, wine and 16 17 liquor license or from one class of beer license to any other class of beer and wine 18 license, the fee for the transfer is \$2,000; and for a change from any class of either beer license or beer and wine license to any other class of beer, wine and liquor license, the 19 20 fee for the transfer is \$3.000. All of the above transfer fees shall be in addition to the 21 regular fee provided in this article for the license applied for. The fee for issuance of 22 any new license after July 1, 1972 shall be, in addition to the regular yearly fee 23 provided for in this article, for any class of beer license: \$1,000; FOR ANY CLASS OF 24 **LIGHT WINE LICENSE: \$1,000**; for any class of beer and wine license: \$2,000; and for any class of beer, wine and liquor license: \$3,000. 25

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