## SENATE BILL 221

By: Senator Edwards

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

## Garrett County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B Beer and Light Wine License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class B beer and light wine license in Garrett County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license for use in certain bona fide hotels, motels, inns, or restaurants; authorizing the Board to issue a license without or with a catering option; specifying the privileges of licenses without and licenses with a catering option; providing for certain issuing and annual fees; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
Section 5-201(m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
5-201.
(m) (1) This [section does not apply] SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY in Garrett County.
(2) In THIS SUBSECTION, "LICENSE" MEANS A CLASS B BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSE.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
(3) The Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class B beer and light wine license for use in:
(I) A BONA FIDE HOTEL, MOTEL, OR INN THAT:

1. IS AN ESTABLISHMENT THAT ACCOMMODATES THE PUBLIC;
2. Provides services ordinarily found in HOTELS, MOTELS, OR INNS;
3. IS EQUIPPED WITH AT LEAST 10 BEDROOMS FOR PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION; AND
4. Has a lobby with a registration and mail DESK AND SEATING FACILITIES; OR
(II) A restaurant that:
5. Has a seating capacity at tables, not INCLUDING SEATS AT BARS OR COUNTERS, FOR AT LEAST 20 PERSONS; AND
6. CAN PREPARE AND SERVE FULL-COURSE MEALS FOR AT LEAST 20 PERSONS AT ONE SEATING.
(4) The Board of License Commissioners may issue a LICENSE WITHOUT OR WITH A CATERING OPTION.
(5) A holder of a license without a catering option may SELL:
(I) ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE LICENSED PREMISES; AND
(II) BREWED BEVERAGES FOR CONSUMPTION OFF THE LICENSED PREMISES.
(6) (I) In AdDITION TO EXERCISING THE PRIVILEGES STATED IN PARAGRAPH (5) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A HOLDER OF A LICENSE WITH A CATERING OPTION MAY KEEP FOR SALE AND SELL BEER AND WINE FOR CONSUMPTION AT EVENTS THAT THE HOLDER CATERS OFF THE LICENSED PREMISES.
(II) To EXERCISE THE CATERING OPTION, A HOLDER OF A LICENSE:
7. SHALL PROVIDE FOOD IF THE HOLDER PROVIDES ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT A CATERED EVENT OFF THE LICENSED PREMISES; AND
8. MAY EXERCISE THE CATERING OPTION ONLY DURING THE HOURS AND DAYS THAT ARE ALLOWED UNDER THE LICENSE.
(7) FOR A LICENSE WITHOUT A CATERING OPTION:
(I) THE ISSUING FEE IS \$350; AND
(II) THE ANNUAL FEE IS $\$ 350$.
(8) FOR A LICENSE WITH A CATERING OPTION:
(I) THE ISSUING FEE IS \$475; AND
(II) THE ANNUAL FEE IS $\$ 475$.
(9) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBSECTION.

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

