

# HOUSE BILL 46

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By: **Delegate Sossi**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Caroline County – Alcoholic Beverages – Multiple Event Licenses**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing in Caroline County an applicant to purchase multiple  
4 event alcoholic beverages licenses; specifying certain license fees; prohibiting  
5 the total number of days for which multiple event licenses may be issued to a  
6 single applicant from exceeding a certain number of days; requiring that fees for  
7 multiple event licenses be paid in advance; prohibiting the Board of License  
8 Commissioners from issuing certain refunds under certain circumstances;  
9 providing for certain restrictions on the issuance of multiple event licenses;  
10 requiring that a certain server be on the licensed premises whenever alcoholic  
11 beverages are served under the license; and generally relating to alcoholic  
12 beverages licenses in Caroline County.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
15 Section 7–101(j)(1)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

18 BY adding to  
19 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
20 Section 7–101(j)(7)  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

25 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 7-101.

2 (j) (1) The provisions of this subsection apply only in Caroline County.

3 (7) (I) **INSTEAD OF PURCHASING INDIVIDUAL EVENT LICENSES**  
4 **FOR A PARTICULAR CLASS OF LICENSE, AN APPLICANT MAY PURCHASE A**  
5 **MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSE FOR THE SAME CLASS OF LICENSE.**

6 (II) **FEES FOR A MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSE ARE:**

7 1. **\$125 FOR NOT MORE THAN 10 EVENTS PER YEAR;**

8 2. **\$250 FOR NOT MORE THAN 20 EVENTS PER YEAR;**

9 3. **\$375 FOR NOT MORE THAN 30 EVENTS PER YEAR;**

10 **AND**

11 4. **\$500 FOR NOT MORE THAN 40 EVENTS PER YEAR.**

12 (III) **THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DAYS FOR WHICH MULTIPLE**  
13 **EVENT LICENSES MAY BE ISSUED TO A SINGLE APPLICANT MAY NOT EXCEED 40**  
14 **DAYS PER CALENDAR YEAR.**

15 (IV) 1. **THE APPLICANT SHALL PAY IN ADVANCE THE FEE**  
16 **FOR A MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSE.**

17 2. **THE BOARD MAY NOT ISSUE A REFUND IF THE**  
18 **HOLDER OF THE LICENSE IN A CALENDAR YEAR HOLDS FEWER THAN THE**  
19 **NUMBER OF EVENTS THAT THE HOLDER IS ENTITLED TO CONDUCT.**

20 (V) **A MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED:**

21 1. **FOR ONE PREMISES ONLY; AND**

22 2. **SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (VI) OF THIS**  
23 **PARAGRAPH, TO THE SAME APPLICANT FOR ALL EVENTS FOR WHICH THE**  
24 **LICENSE IS ISSUED, UNLESS THE BOARD IN WRITING APPROVES A SUBSTITUTE**  
25 **APPLICANT.**

26 (VI) **THE BOARD MAY HOLD A HEARING BEFORE APPROVING**  
27 **A SUBSTITUTE APPLICANT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (V)2 OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

28 (VII) **A SERVER WHO IS CURRENTLY CERTIFIED AS HAVING**  
29 **COMPLETED AN ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM SHALL BE ON THE PREMISES**

1 **FOR WHICH A MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSE IS ISSUED WHENEVER ALCOHOLIC**  
2 **BEVERAGES ARE SERVED UNDER THE LICENSE.**

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
4 July 1, 2009.