

HOUSE BILL 46

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By: **Delegate Sossi**

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CHAPTER _____

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)

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.



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

3 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

4 7–101.

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

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

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

- 10 1. **\$125 FOR NOT MORE THAN 10 EVENTS PER YEAR;**
11 2. **\$250 FOR NOT MORE THAN 20 EVENTS PER YEAR;**
12 3. **\$375 FOR NOT MORE THAN 30 EVENTS PER YEAR;**
13 **AND**
14 4. **\$500 FOR NOT MORE THAN 40 EVENTS PER YEAR.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3 **(VII) A SERVER WHO IS CURRENTLY CERTIFIED AS HAVING**
4 **COMPLETED AN ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM SHALL BE ON THE PREMISES**
5 **FOR WHICH A MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSE IS ISSUED WHENEVER ALCOHOLIC**
6 **BEVERAGES ARE SERVED UNDER THE LICENSE.**

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

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.