

CHAPTER 472

(House Bill 1512)

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Multivenue Wine License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Multivenue wine license in Frederick County; specifying that a holder of the license may hold simultaneous wine events at a certain number of venues that meet certain requirements; authorizing a holder of the license to sell wine and to allow a certain license holder to conduct a wine tasting under certain circumstances; requiring that a holder of the license prohibit a guest from transporting wine under certain circumstances; and generally relating to a Multivenue wine license in Frederick County.

BY renumbering

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–406.1

to be Section 8–406.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–406.1

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 8–406.1 of Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 8–406.2.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

8–406.1.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN FREDERICK COUNTY.

(B) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A 1-DAY MULTIVENUE WINE (MVW) (ON- AND OFF-SALE) LICENSE TO A BONA FIDE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.

(C) A HOLDER OF AN MVW LICENSE MAY CONDUCT SIMULTANEOUS WINE EVENTS AT NOT MORE THAN FIVE VENUES THAT ARE:

- (1) WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF EACH OTHER; AND**
- (2) LOCATED IN DISTRICTS THAT ALLOW THE CONSUMPTION OF WINE.**

(D) UNDER REGULATIONS THAT THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS ADOPTS, A HOLDER OF AN MVW LICENSE AT EACH WINE EVENT:

- (1) MAY SELL WINE BY THE GLASS FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION OR BY THE BOTTLE FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION;**
- (2) MAY ALLOW A HOLDER OF A ~~CLASS A LIGHT WINE~~ CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSE TO CONDUCT A WINE TASTING; AND**
- (3) SHALL PROHIBIT A GUEST FROM TRANSPORTING WINE FROM ONE VENUE TO ANOTHER.**

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

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.