

HOUSE BILL 1478

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: March 1, 2010

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County – Beer and Wine Tastings**

3 **PG 320–10**

4 FOR the purpose of creating in Prince George's County a beer tasting license and a
5 beer/wine tasting license; specifying to whom the licenses may be issued; setting
6 maximum limits on the amounts of certain individual servings; specifying that
7 certain licenses may be issued for tasting or sampling purposes only; providing
8 for certain license fees; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating
9 to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George's County.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
12 Section 8–409
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

17 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

18 8–409.

19 (a) (1) In Prince George's County, the Board of License Commissioners
20 may approve the issuance of a **BEER TASTING LICENSE, A wine tasting [(WT)]**
21 **LICENSE, AND A BEER/WINE TASTING [alcoholic beverages] license.**

22 (2) (I) **[The] A WINE TASTING OR BEER/WINE TASTING** license is
23 issued only to holders of a beer, wine and liquor (BWL) or a beer and wine (BW)
24 license.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(II) 1. A BEER TASTING OR BEER/WINE TASTING**
2 **LICENSE IS ISSUED ONLY TO HOLDERS OF A BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR (BWL) OR**
3 **A BEER AND WINE (BW) LICENSE.**

4 **2. HOLDERS OF A BEER (B) LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED**
5 **ONLY A BEER TASTING LICENSE.**

6 (3) **(I) [The] A WINE TASTING OR BEER/WINE TASTING** license
7 permits the consumption of wine, containing not more than 14 percent of alcohol by
8 volume, for tasting or sampling purposes only.

9 **(II) A BEER TASTING OR BEER/WINE TASTING LICENSE**
10 **ALLOWS THE CONSUMPTION OF BEER FOR TASTING OR SAMPLING PURPOSES**
11 **ONLY.**

12 (4) **(I) [The] A WINE TASTING OR BEER/WINE TASTING** licensee
13 may not serve more than 1 ounce from each given brand **OF WINE** to any one person.

14 **(II) A BEER TASTING OR BEER/WINE TASTING LICENSEE**
15 **MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN 3 OUNCES FROM EACH BRAND OF BEER TO ANY**
16 **ONE PERSON.**

17 (5) **(I) The annual [license] fee OF A BEER TASTING OR WINE**
18 **TASTING LICENSE:**

19 **[(i)] 1.** For holders of a BWL license, is \$110 in addition to
20 the cost of the BWL license; **[and]**

21 **[(ii)] 2.** For holders of a BW license, is \$110 in addition to the
22 cost of the BW license; **AND**

23 **3. FOR HOLDERS OF A B LICENSE, IS \$110 IN**
24 **ADDITION TO THE COST OF THE B LICENSE.**

25 **(II) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS SHALL SET**
26 **THE ANNUAL FEE FOR A BEER/WINE TASTING LICENSE.**

27 (b) The Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners may adopt
28 rules or regulations providing additional requirements to implement this section.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 July 1, 2010.