

Chapter 154

(House Bill 535)

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County – Alcoholic Beverages – Entertainment Facility License

FOR the purpose of creating in Cecil County a Class EF (entertainment facility) beer, wine and liquor license; authorizing a license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor, from one or more outlets in a certain entertainment facility, for consumption anywhere in the entertainment facility only; requiring a facility for which a license is issued to have a certain amount of capital investment; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue one or more licenses for the same facility; specifying that the license authorizes the playing of music and dancing; specifying the hours of sale and a certain license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Cecil County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–201(i)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

6–201.

(i) (4) (I) **THERE IS A CLASS EF (ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY) BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.**

(II) **A CLASS EF LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR BY THE DRINK AND BY THE BOTTLE, FROM ONE OR MORE OUTLETS IN THE ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY, FOR CONSUMPTION ANYWHERE WITHIN THE ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY.**

(III) **A HOLDER OF A CLASS EF LICENSE MAY NOT SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF–SALE CONSUMPTION.**

(IV) **NOTWITHSTANDING § 8–208(B) OF THIS ARTICLE, THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A CLASS EF LICENSE IF THE**

APPLICANT HAS A CAPITAL INVESTMENT IN THE FACILITY FOR WHICH THE LICENSE IS SOUGHT, NOT INCLUDING ANY REAL PROPERTY, OF AT LEAST \$35,000,000.

(v) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE ONE OR MORE CLASS EF LICENSES FOR THE SAME FACILITY.

(vi) A CLASS EF LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE PLAYING OF MUSIC AND DANCING.

(vii) A CLASS EF LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE SALES AND SERVING OF BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR THROUGHOUT THE ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY DURING THOSE DAYS AND HOURS THAT THE ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS.

(viii) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$7,500.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 13, 2010.