

# SENATE BILL 949

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By: **Senator Ramirez**

Introduced and read first time: March 2, 2011

Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County – Single Bottles or Cans of Beer – Size Prohibition**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Prince George's County Board of License  
4 Commissioners to prohibit a Class A beer licensee, a Class A beer and light wine  
5 licensee, or a Class A beer, wine and liquor licensee from selling single bottles or  
6 cans of beer in bottles or cans of a certain size for consumption off the premises;  
7 making a stylistic change; and generally relating to the sale of beer in Prince  
8 George's County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
11 Section 3–101(r), 3–201(r), 5–101(r), and 6–101(r)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

16 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

17 3–101.

18 (r) **(1)** In Prince George's County the annual license fee is \$245.

19 **(2) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR PRINCE**  
20 **GEORGE'S COUNTY MAY PROHIBIT A CLASS A BEER LICENSEE FROM SELLING**  
21 **SINGLE BOTTLES OR CANS OF BEER IN BOTTLES OR CANS THAT ARE AT LEAST 10**  
22 **OUNCES BUT NOT MORE THAN 16 OUNCES IN SIZE.**

23 3–201.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (r) (1) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is \$365.

2 (2) (I) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this  
3 section, the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County may not issue  
4 any Class B beer license with other than the privilege of selling beer for consumption  
5 on the licensed premises (on-sale only).

6 (II) However, licensees holding this class of license prior to July  
7 1, 1975, who have been exercising the privilege of selling beer for consumption off the  
8 licensed premises may continue to exercise this privilege.

9 5-101.

10 (r) (1) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is \$245.

11 (2) **THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR PRINCE**  
12 **GEORGE'S COUNTY MAY PROHIBIT A CLASS A BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSEE**  
13 **FROM SELLING SINGLE BOTTLES OR CANS OF BEER IN BOTTLES THAT ARE AT**  
14 **LEAST 10 OUNCES BUT NOT MORE THAN 16 OUNCES IN SIZE.**

15 6-101.

16 (r) (1) In Prince George's County the annual license fee is \$910.

17 (2) **THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR PRINCE**  
18 **GEORGE'S COUNTY MAY PROHIBIT A CLASS A BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR**  
19 **LICENSEE FROM SELLING SINGLE BOTTLES OR CANS OF BEER IN BOTTLES THAT**  
20 **ARE AT LEAST 10 OUNCES BUT NOT MORE THAN 16 OUNCES IN SIZE.**

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
22 July 1, 2011.