

HOUSE BILL 248

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By: **Harford County Delegation and Delegates Glass, James, McComas,
McDonough, and Norman**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Class C–3 Club License**

3 FOR the purpose of removing the requirement in Harford County for a country club to
4 maintain a certain number of tennis courts to be eligible for a Class C–3 club
5 alcoholic beverages license; and generally relating to eligibility for a Class C–3
6 club alcoholic beverages license in Harford County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
9 Section 6–301(n)(6)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2011 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

15 6–301.

16 (n) (6) (i) In this paragraph the following words have the meanings
17 indicated.

18 1. “Miscellaneous organization or club” means a country
19 club, a yacht or boat club, or topiary garden.

20 2. “Country club” means a club or organization that:

21 A. May be operated for profit or not for profit;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 B. Has 75 or more bona fide members each of whom pays
2 not less than \$50 per year; and

3 C. Maintains at the time of the application for the
4 license and continues to maintain a regular or championship golf course of 9 holes or
5 more, or, instead of the golf course, a swimming pool at least 20 by 40 feet in size[, and
6 at least 6 tennis courts].

7 3. “Topiary garden” means an organization that:

8 A. Operates a public museum and garden for its
9 membership and the general public as guests of the membership;

10 B. Is open to the general public for at least 6 days a week
11 for at least 6 hours a day during 5 months each year; and

12 C. Has food preparation facilities on the topiary garden
13 premises for the convenience of visiting guests.

14 4. “Yacht or boat club” means a club or organization
15 that:

16 A. May be operated for profit or not for profit;

17 B. Owns real property in Harford County; and

18 C. Has not less than 150 bona fide dues-paying members
19 and not less than 50 of whom own a yacht, boat, or other vessel.

20 (ii) A Class C-3 license may be issued only to a miscellaneous
21 organization or club.

22 (iii) 1. The fee for a 6-day, Monday through Saturday,
23 (on-sale) Class C-3 license under this paragraph is \$1,300.

24 2. The fee for a 7-day Class C-3 license under this
25 paragraph is \$1,400.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 July 1, 2012.