Chapter 459

(Senate Bill 67)

AN ACT concerning

Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Residency Requirement for Applicants

FOR the purpose of altering the residency requirement for applicants for alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages Section 9–101(a)(2) Annotated Code of Maryland (2011 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

9-101.

- (a) A license may not be issued to a partnership, to a corporation, or to a limited liability company, but only to individuals authorized to act for a partnership, corporation, or limited liability company who shall assume all responsibilities as individuals, and be subject to all of the penalties, conditions and restrictions imposed upon licensees under the provisions of the Tax General Article that relate to the alcoholic beverage tax and the provisions of this article. If the application is made for a partnership, the license shall be applied for and be issued to all the partners as individuals, all of whom shall have resided in the city or county in which the place of business is located for at least 2 years prior to the application.
- (2) In Harford County, the applicant shall be a bona fide resident of Harford County [at the time of] FOR AT LEAST 1 YEAR BEFORE filing the application and shall remain a resident as long as the license is in effect. The applicant is not required to be a registered voter.

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

Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2012.