Chapter 81

(Senate Bill 585)

AN ACT concerning

Garrett County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Class C Beer, Wine and Liquor License

FOR the purpose of authorizing in Garrett County the holder of a special Class C beer, wine and liquor license to purchase beer and light wine from a wholesale dealer; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages Section 7–101(d)

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

7-101.

- (d) (1) (i) A special Class C beer, wine and liquor license entitles the holder to exercise any of the privileges conferred by this class of license for the use of any person holding a bona fide entertainment conducted by a club, society, or association at the place described for a period not exceeding seven consecutive days, upon the payment of a fee of \$15 per day.
- (ii) The provisions of § 11–517 of this article do not apply to holders of this license. Alcoholic beverages sold under this special license shall be purchased by such special license holder from retail dealers.
 - (2) In Anne Arundel County:
- (i) A special beer, wine and liquor license, Class C licensee may purchase beer from a wholesaler;
 - (ii) The fee is \$50 per day; and
- (iii) The provisions of §§ 10–103(b) and 10–202 of this article and § 10–501 of the State Government Article do not apply to an applicant for the license.

(3) In Baltimore City:

- (i) The holder of a Class C special beer, wine and liquor license may purchase beer and light wine from a wholesale dealer.
- (ii) The Board of Liquor License Commissioners may collect from the holder of the Class C special beer, wine and liquor license:
 - 1. A license fee of \$50 per day; and
- 2. Reimbursement for costs incurred while monitoring the event for which the license is issued.

(4) (i) In Baltimore County:

- 1. The fee for this license is \$50 per day, except that for any bona fide religious, fraternal, civic, war veterans', hospital or charitable organization, the fee for this license is \$35; and
- 2. The holder of a special 7-day Class C beer, wine and liquor license may purchase beer and light wine from a wholesale dealer.
- (ii) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the holder of a special 7-day Class C beer, wine and liquor license may agree with the holder of a wholesale license to deliver beer and wine on the effective days of the license and accept returns on the same day of delivery.
- (5) In Calvert County the fee for this license is \$25 per day, except that for any bona fide religious, fraternal, civic, war veterans', hospital or charitable organization, the fee for the license is \$15.
 - (6) In Carroll County the fee is \$50 per day.

(7) In Dorchester County:

- (i) A holder of a special Class C beer, wine and liquor license may cater an event at the place described in the license on the effective days of the license;
 - (ii) The fee is \$25 per day; and
 - (iii) A holder of a special Class C beer, wine and liquor license:
- 1. Shall distribute at the event for which the license is issued a wristband to each individual who is at least 21 years old; and

- 2. May not serve an alcoholic beverage to any individual who does not wear the wristband.
 - (iv) A person who violates this paragraph is subject to:
 - 1. For the first offense, a fine of \$50; and
- 2. For the second offense, a fine not exceeding \$500 and denial of further requests for licenses for catering additional events.
 - (8) In Frederick County the fee is \$30 per day.
- (9) IN GARRETT COUNTY, A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL CLASS C BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE MAY PURCHASE BEER AND LIGHT WINE FROM A WHOLESALE DEALER.
 - [(9)] (10) In Harford County the fee is \$30 per day.
- [(10)] (11) Notwithstanding paragraph (1)(i) of this subsection, in Montgomery County:
 - (i) The fee is \$60 per day; and
- (ii) Notwithstanding § 1–102(a)(4) of this article, the Board of License Commissioners may issue a one–day special Class C beer, wine and liquor license to a community swimming pool club.
- [(11)] (12) (i) This paragraph applies only in Prince George's County.
- (ii) Except as provided in item (iii) of this paragraph, the fee is \$200 per day.
- (iii) For a club, society, or association holding a casino or gambling event, the fee is \$150 per day, which shall be paid by the club, society, or association and shall be considered as part of the club's, society's, or association's special license fee.
- (iv) When the Board of License Commissioners issues a license under this paragraph, the Board shall notify the chief of police, the fire chief, the director of the Department of Environmental Resources, and, if applicable, the municipal corporation in which the event is to be held, as to the time, place, and expected size of the event for which the license is issued.

(v) The Board of License Commissioners may deny an application for this license if it is determined that the applicant does not qualify under the provisions of this article.

[(12)] (13) In Wicomico County the fee is \$45 per day.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 10, 2012.