

HOUSE BILL 1387

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By: **Frederick County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Banquet Facility License**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the Banquet Facility license in Frederick County by
4 specifying that the license entitles the holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor;
5 specifying that a certain requirement concerning minimum serving capacity
6 may be met by persons who are inside the facility or outside on the premises;
7 repealing the requirement that a facility be eligible for inclusion in a certain
8 national register; altering a certain minimum capital investment requirement
9 for licensees; authorizing a licensee to sell beer, wine, or liquor for off-premises
10 consumption in collectible bottles under certain circumstances; and generally
11 relating to banquet facility licenses in Frederick County.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
13 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
14 Section 6–201(l)(1)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
18 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
19 Section 6–201(l)(4)
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

24 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

25 6–201.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) (1) This subsection applies only in Frederick County.

2 (4) (i) The Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class
3 B–B.F. (Banquet Facility) beer, [light] wine and liquor on–sale license for a banquet
4 facility that:

5 1. Accommodates the public for banquets, parties,
6 meetings, and similar functions;

7 2. Contains a dining room with adequate facilities for
8 preparing and serving full–course meals for at least 100 persons **WHO ARE INSIDE**
9 **THE FACILITY OR OUTSIDE ON THE PREMISES** at one seating; **AND**

10 3. [Is eligible for inclusion on the National Register of
11 Historic Places; and

12 4.] Has a capital investment of not less than [**\$500,000**]
13 **\$250,000**, excluding the cost of the land, buildings, and leases.

14 (ii) The Class B–B.F. beer, [light] wine and liquor license
15 authorizes the holder to keep for sale, and sell at retail, beer, [light] wine, and liquor
16 by the drink or by the bottle for on–premises consumption only; provided that:

17 1. The beer, [light] wine, and liquor are only sold during
18 the function;

19 2. [The] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH**
20 **(III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH**, THE licensee may not sell alcoholic beverages for
21 off–premises consumption;

22 3. The licensee may not permit alcoholic beverages to be
23 carried off the premises; and

24 4. Food is furnished at the function where the alcoholic
25 beverages are provided.

26 **(III) A LICENSEE MAY SELL BEER, WINE, OR LIQUOR FOR**
27 **OFF–PREMISES CONSUMPTION IF THE BEER, WINE, OR LIQUOR IS:**

28 1. **IN A COLLECTIBLE BOTTLE COMMEMORATING A**
29 **SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OR EVENT; AND**

30 2. **SOLD NOT MORE THAN 30 CALENDAR DAYS**
31 **BEFORE THE SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OR EVENT.**

1 ~~[(iii)]~~ **(IV)** The days and hours of sale under this license are as
2 provided in § 11-511 of this article.

3 ~~[(iv)]~~ **(V)** The annual license fee for a Class B-B.F. license is
4 \$1,500.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
6 July 1, 2013.