

HOUSE BILL 464

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Micro–Brewery Licenses –**
3 **Retail Sale – Prepackaged Beer**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the holder of a Class 7 micro–brewery (on– and
5 off–sale) license to sell at retail beer brewed under the license to customers for
6 consumption off the licensed premises as prepackaged beer in nonrefillable
7 containers; and generally relating to the retail sale of beer brewed under a
8 micro–brewery license for consumption off the licensed premises.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
11 Section 2–208(a)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 2–208(d)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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

3 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

4 2–208.

5 (a) There is a Class 7 micro–brewery (on– and off–sale) license.

6 (d) (1) The on–sale privilege authorizes the holder, each calendar year, to
7 sell at retail up to 4,000 barrels of beer brewed under this license to customers for
8 consumption on the licensed premises.

9 (2) The off–sale privilege authorizes the holder to sell and deliver beer
10 brewed under this license to:

11 (i) Any wholesaler licensed under this article to sell beer in this
12 State; or

13 (ii) Any person who is located in a state other than Maryland
14 who is authorized under the laws of that state to receive brewed beverages.

15 (3) (i) This paragraph applies only in:

16 1. Allegany County;

17 2. The City of Annapolis;

18 3. Anne Arundel County;

19 4. Baltimore City;

20 5. Baltimore County;

21 6. Calvert County;

22 7. Caroline County;

23 8. Carroll County;

24 9. Charles County;

25 10. Dorchester County;

26 11. Frederick County;

27 12. Garrett County;

- 1 13. Harford County;
- 2 14. Howard County;
- 3 15. Kent County;
- 4 16. Montgomery County;
- 5 17. Prince George’s County;
- 6 18. Queen Anne’s County;
- 7 19. St. Mary’s County;
- 8 20. Talbot County;
- 9 21. Washington County;
- 10 22. Wicomico County; and
- 11 23. Worcester County.

12 (ii) The holder may sell at retail beer brewed under this license
 13 to customers for consumption off the licensed premises [in]:

14 1. IN refillable containers that are sealed by the
 15 micro–brewery licensee at the time of each refill; AND

16 2. AS PREPACKAGED BEER IN NONREFILLABLE
 17 CONTAINERS.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 19 July 1, 2014.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.