

Chapter 255

**(House Bill 515)**

AN ACT concerning

**Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Class B–MB  
(Micro–Brewery/Restaurant) License**

FOR the purpose of creating in Allegany County a Class B–MB (micro–brewery/restaurant) license; specifying that the Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class B–MB license to a holder of a Class 7 manufacturer’s license; providing that the Class B–MB license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine by the drink or by the bottle and liquor by the drink only for consumption on the licensed premises, including in certain areas; providing that the Class B–MB license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine by the bottle for off–premises consumption; specifying certain days and hours of sale for the Class B–MB license; specifying a certain annual fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 6–201(a)(1) and (b)(1)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to  
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section ~~6–201(b–1)(9)~~ 6–201(b)(4)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

**Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

6–201.

(a) (1) A Class B beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located, and the license authorizes its holder to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail at any hotel or restaurant at the place described, for consumption on the premises or elsewhere, or as provided in this section.

(b) (1) The provisions of this subsection apply only in Allegany County.

~~(b-1)~~ ~~(9)~~ (4) (I) THERE IS A SPECIAL CLASS B-MB (MICRO-BREWERY/RESTAURANT) LICENSE.

(II) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A SPECIAL CLASS B-MB LICENSE TO A HOLDER OF A CLASS 7 MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE.

(III) THE HOLDER OF A CLASS B-MB LICENSE MAY SELL AT RETAIL BEER AND LIGHT WINE BY THE DRINK OR BY THE BOTTLE AND LIQUOR BY THE DRINK FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES, INCLUDING:

1. IN A BANQUET ROOM OR BANQUET FACILITY THAT IS ON THE LICENSED PREMISES; AND

2. ON A PATIO THAT IS PART OF THE LICENSED PREMISES AS EVIDENCED BY LEASE DOCUMENTS OR BY AGREEMENT OF THE OWNER OF THE LICENSED PREMISES.

(IV) THE HOLDER OF A CLASS B-MB LICENSE MAY SELL AT RETAIL BEER AND LIGHT WINE BY THE BOTTLE FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

(V) THE HOURS OF SALE ARE:

1. FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES:

A. ON MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, FROM 7 A.M. TO 2 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY; AND

B. ON SUNDAY, FROM 1 P.M. TO 2 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY; AND

2. FOR CONSUMPTION OFF THE PREMISES ON MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, FROM 7 A.M. TO 2 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY.

(VI) THE ANNUAL FEE FOR A CLASS B-MB LICENSE IS \$900.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.