

HOUSE BILL 564

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HB 1090/15 – ECM

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By: **Delegates Glenn and B. Robinson**
Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2016
Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Health – Restaurants – Meals for Children**

3 FOR the purpose of limiting the types of beverages that a restaurant may include in the
4 price of certain menu options or meals; authorizing a restaurant to offer certain
5 beverages to minors for a charge; and generally relating to restaurants and meals
6 for children.

7 BY adding to
8 Article – Health – General
9 Section 21–304.3
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2015 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article – Health – General**

15 **21–304.3.**

16 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A
17 RESTAURANT THAT OFFERS A CHILDREN’S MENU OF MEAL OPTIONS OR OFFERS A
18 MEAL THAT IS REPRESENTED AS A CHILD’S MEAL MAY INCLUDE ONLY BOTTLED
19 WATER, LOW-FAT MILK, OR 100% FRUIT JUICE AS A BEVERAGE IN THE PRICE OF THE
20 MENU OPTION OR MEAL.

21 (B) A RESTAURANT MAY OFFER ANY LAWFUL NONALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TO
22 A MINOR FOR A CHARGE.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2016.