

HOUSE BILL 1073

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 11, 2016

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – License Applications – Online**
3 **Notice**

4 **MC 5–16**

5 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners
6 to fulfill a certain notice requirement by posting online a completed application for
7 an alcoholic beverages license a certain number of days before the hearing date; and
8 generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Montgomery County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
11 Section 4–208
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General
14 Assembly of 2016)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
17 Section 25–1506
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly
20 of 2016)

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

23 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

24 4–208.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) Before a local licensing board may approve an application for a license, the
2 local licensing board shall publish notice of the application two times in 2 successive weeks:

3 (1) in two newspapers of general circulation in the jurisdiction; or

4 (2) if only one newspaper of general circulation exists in the jurisdiction, in
5 that newspaper.

6 (b) The notice shall state:

7 (1) the name of the applicant;

8 (2) the type of license for which the application is made;

9 (3) the location described in the application; and

10 (4) the date, time, and place set by the local licensing board for a hearing
11 on the application.

12 25–1506.

13 (a) **(1) THE BOARD MAY FULFILL THE NOTICE REQUIREMENT UNDER §**
14 **4–208 OF THIS ARTICLE BY POSTING ONLINE A COMPLETED APPLICATION AT LEAST**
15 **14 DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING DATE.**

16 **(2)** In addition to the newspaper notice required under § 4–208 of this
17 article **OR THE ONLINE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS**
18 **SUBSECTION**, the Board shall post a suitable notice in a conspicuous place on the location
19 described in the application for at least 30 days before the application hearing.

20 (b) A notice under this section shall state the class of license for which application
21 is made and the date, time, and location of the application hearing.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
23 1, 2016.