

# SENATE BILL 699

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By: **Senators Young and Hough**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Theater ~~License~~ and Entertainment**  
3 **Center License**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the scope of a certain alcoholic beverages license in Frederick  
5 County so that it may be issued to all theaters that meet a certain seating  
6 requirement; altering the scope of a Class EC (entertainment center) license so that  
7 it may be issued to a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license; making a  
8 certain technical ~~correction~~ corrections; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages  
9 licenses in Frederick County.

10 BY renumbering

11 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

12 Section 20–1008, 20–1009, 20–1010, 20–1011, 20–1012, and 20–1013, respectively  
13 to be Section 20–1013, 20–1008, 20–1009, 20–1010, 20–1011, and 20–1012,  
14 respectively

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (As enacted by Chapter ~~\_\_ (S.B. \_\_) (6lr1406)~~ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General  
17 Assembly of 2016)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

19 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

20 Section 20–1008 and 20–1013

21 Annotated Code of Maryland

22 (As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

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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 MARYLAND,  
 2 That Section(s) 20–1008, 20–1009, 20–1010, 20–1011, 20–1012, and 20–1013, respectively,  
 3 of Article – Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be  
 4 Section(s) 20–1013, 20–1008, 20–1009, 20–1010, 20–1011, and 20–1012, respectively.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read  
 6 as follows:

7 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

8 20–1008.

9 (a) There is a Class [MEC (micro–brewery/entertainment center)] EC  
 10 (ENTERTAINMENT CENTER) license.

11 (b) The Board may issue the license to a person for use in conjunction with:

12 (I) a Class 7 micro–brewery license that the person then obtains from the  
 13 Comptroller; OR

14 (II) A CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE THAT THE PERSON  
 15 HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE BOARD.

16 (c) (1) The EC license authorizes the license holder to sell, in an  
 17 entertainment center for on–premises consumption[.]:

18 (I) malt beverages that are brewed in the license holder’s  
 19 micro–brewery, IF THE LICENSE HOLDER ALSO HOLDS A CLASS 7 MICRO–BREWERY  
 20 LICENSE; OR

21 (II) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR, IF THE LICENSE HOLDER ALSO  
 22 HOLDS A CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

23 (2) The entertainment center may:

24 (i) contain:

25 1. rides and games such as bowling lanes, billiard tables, and  
 26 go–carts; and

27 2. one or more food service facilities, bars, or lounges; and

28 (ii) allow the playing of music and dancing.

29 (d) The [license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor] HOURS OF SALE ARE:

1           (1)    on Monday through Saturday, from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day;  
 2 and

3           (2)    on Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day.

4           (e)    The annual **EC** license fee is \$1,500.

5 20–1013.

6           (a)    There is a Class C [(Maryland Ensemble Theatre)] **(THEATER)** beer and wine  
 7 license.

8           (b)    (1)    The president and two other officers of the [Maryland Ensemble  
 9 Theatre] **THEATER** shall sign the application for the license.

10           (2)    Two of the signers shall be residents of the County.

11           (c)    The Board may issue a license for use by [the Maryland Ensemble Theatre] **A**  
 12 **THEATER WITH SEATING FOR 200 OR FEWER INDIVIDUALS PER PERFORMANCE.**

13           (d)    [The license authorizes the license holder to sell beer and wine for  
 14 on–premises consumption.

15           (e)    The license [holder may] **AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER TO** sell beer  
 16 and wine for on–premises consumption from 1 hour before to 1 hour after:

17           (1)    a regular performance; or

18           (2)    a fund–raiser performance that benefits the [Maryland Ensemble  
 19 Theatre] **THEATER.**

20           [(f)] **(E)**    The annual license fee is \$100.

21           SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
 22 1, 2016.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.