

SENATE BILL 263

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By: **Senators Young and Hough**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2018

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Banquet Facility License**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a certain capital investment requirement for the issuance of
4 a Class B-BF (banquet facility) beer, wine, and liquor license in Frederick County;
5 requiring that a banquet facility have a full commercial kitchen and adequate public
6 bathroom facilities before a banquet facility license may be issued; and generally
7 relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Frederick County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

10 Section 20–102

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

15 Section 20–1001.1

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

21 20–102.

22 This title applies only in Frederick County.

23 20–1001.1.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- (a) There is a Class B-BF (banquet facility) beer, wine, and liquor license.
- (b) The Board may issue the license for use by a banquet facility that:
 - (1) accommodates the public for banquets, parties, meetings, and similar occasions;
 - (2) contains a dining room with adequate facilities for preparing and serving full-course meals for at least 100 individuals who are inside the facility or outside the premises at one seating; and
 - (3) has a [capital investment of at least \$250,000, excluding the cost of the buildings, and leases] **FULL COMMERCIAL KITCHEN AND ADEQUATE PUBLIC ROOM FACILITIES.**
- (c) (1) The license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer, wine, and liquor by the drink or by the bottle for on-premises consumption if:
 - (i) the beer, wine, and liquor are sold only during the function;
 - (ii) except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the license holder does not sell beer, wine, and liquor for off-premises consumption;
 - (iii) the license holder does not allow beer, wine, and liquor to be sold off the premises; and
 - (iv) food is provided at the function where the beer, wine, and liquor are provided.
- (2) The license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor for off-premises consumption if the beer, wine, and liquor is:
 - (i) in a collectible bottle commemorating a special anniversary or holiday; and
 - (ii) sold not more than 30 calendar days before the special anniversary or event.
- (d) The license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor during the hours and days authorized for a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license under § 20-2005 of this title.
- (e) The annual license fee is \$1,500.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 8.