Chapter 122

# (House Bill 159)

# AN ACT concerning

### Montgomery County - Alcoholic Beverages - Basket of Cheer Permit

#### MC 21-18

FOR the purpose of establishing a basket of cheer permit in Montgomery County; requiring the Board of License Commissioners to grant the permit at no cost to holders of certain Class C per diem licenses; providing that the permit authorizes the permit holder to provide as a prize at a benefit performance a basket of cheer, consisting of certain alcoholic beverages; specifying that the alcoholic beverages contained in a basket of cheer shall be for off-premises consumption; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages permits granted in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages Section 25–102 Annotated Code of Maryland (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

# BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages Section 25–1312 Annotated Code of Maryland (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

### Article - Alcoholic Beverages

25-102.

This title applies only in Montgomery County.

# **25-1312.**

- (A) THERE IS A BASKET OF CHEER PERMIT.
- (B) THE BOARD SHALL GRANT THE PERMIT AT NO COST TO A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER AND WINE LICENSE OR A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

- (C) THE PERMIT AUTHORIZES THE PERMIT HOLDER TO PROVIDE AS A PRIZE AT A BENEFIT PERFORMANCE A BASKET OF CHEER, CONSISTING OF:
- (1) FOR A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER AND WINE LICENSE, NOT MORE THAN:
  - (I) 288 OUNCES OF BEER; AND
  - (II) 2.25 LITERS OF WINE; AND
- (2) FOR A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE, NOT MORE THAN:
  - (I) 288 OUNCES OF BEER;
  - (II) 2.25 LITERS OF WINE; AND
  - (III) 2.25 LITERS OF LIQUOR.
- (D) THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTAINED IN A BASKET OF CHEER SHALL BE FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

Approved by the Governor, April 10, 2018.