

HOUSE BILL 292

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CF SB 338

By: **Delegate Otto**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Proximity to Places of**
3 **Worship, Schools, Public Libraries, or Youth Centers**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the minimum distance from a place of worship, school, public
5 library, or youth center for an establishment for which the Board of License
6 Commissioners of Somerset County may issue a certain license; making a certain
7 conforming change; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Somerset
8 County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
11 Section 29–102
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 29–1601
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

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 29-102.

2 This title applies only in Somerset County.

3 29-1601.

4 (a) (1) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Board may not
5 issue a license for an establishment that is within [300] **200** feet of a place of worship,
6 school, public library, or youth center.

7 (2) The distance is to be measured from the nearest point of the
8 establishment to the nearest point of the property line of the place of worship, public
9 library, school, or youth center.

10 (b) The prohibition against issuing a license in subsection (a) of this section does
11 not apply to:

12 (1) a licensed establishment that existed before the place of worship,
13 school, public library, or youth center was built within [300] **200** feet of the licensed
14 establishment;

15 (2) an establishment having any previous owner who was the holder of a
16 license to sell alcoholic beverages; and

17 (3) a temporary license.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
19 1, 2019.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.