

HOUSE BILL 345

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 28, 2019

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Damascus – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses**

3 **MC 9–19**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing in Montgomery County a provision regarding the issuance of
5 licenses in country inn zones in Damascus; repealing a restriction on the number of
6 Class H licenses that may be issued in Damascus by the Board of License
7 Commissioners for Montgomery County; and generally relating to alcoholic
8 beverages licenses in Montgomery County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
11 Section 25–102
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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15 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 25–1603
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**

22 25–102.

23 This title applies only in Montgomery County.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 25–1603.

2 (a) This section applies only to Damascus (12th election district).

3 (b) [The Board may issue not more than two licenses with an on–sale privilege
4 for restaurants in the country inn zone of the county.

5 (c) The Board may issue a 7–day Class C (on–sale) beer, wine, and liquor license
6 to a volunteer fire department.

7 [(d)] (C) (1) Subject to [subsection (b) of this section and] paragraph (2) of
8 this subsection:

9 (i) the Board may issue [not more than two] Class H beer and wine,
10 hotel and restaurant licenses; and

11 (ii) the licenses may be renewed or transferred.

12 (2) A license may be issued, transferred, or renewed if:

13 (i) pool tables, billiard tables, shuffleboards, dart boards, video
14 games, pinball machines, or recreational devices are not used in the licensed premises; and

15 (ii) alcoholic beverages served by the license holder are consumed by
16 customers while the customers are seated.

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