

HOUSE BILL 960

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Local Licenses – Prohibited Transfers**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a local licensing board from transferring a license to another
4 person if the transferor has certain pending criminal charges or disciplinary matters
5 before the local licensing board; and generally relating to prohibited transfers of local
6 alcoholic beverages licenses.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

8 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

9 Section 4–302(a)

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

12 BY adding to

13 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

14 Section 4–303.1

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

20 4–302.

21 (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, a license holder or a receiver or trustee
22 for the benefit of creditors, may:

23 (1) transfer the license holder’s place of business to some other location; or

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) transfer the license and the license holder's inventory to another
2 person.

3 ~~4-303.1.~~

4 **A LOCAL LICENSING BOARD MAY NOT ALLOW THE TRANSFER OF A LICENSE TO**
5 **ANOTHER PERSON IF THE TRANSFEROR HAS PENDING CRIMINAL CHARGES OR**
6 **DISCIPLINARY MATTERS BEFORE THE LOCAL LICENSING BOARD THAT ARISE OUT OF**
7 **AN INCIDENT OR A CIRCUMSTANCE INVOLVING THE LICENSE OR LICENSED**
8 **PREMISES.**

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 October 1, 2019.