

SENATE BILL 427

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CF HB 475

By: **Senator Hershey**

Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2019

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Queen Anne's County – Alcohol Awareness Program**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring an alcoholic beverages license holder in Queen Anne's County
4 or an individual designated by the license holder who has completed training in an
5 approved alcohol awareness program to be present at all times when alcoholic
6 beverages may be served; providing for certain penalties; and generally relating to
7 alcoholic beverages in Queen Anne's County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

10 Section 4–505(e) and 27–102

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

15 Section 27–1901

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

18 BY adding to

19 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

20 Section 27–1903

21 Annotated Code of Maryland

22 (2016 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

25 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 4–505.

2 (e) A holder of any retail alcoholic beverages license or an employee designated
3 by the holder shall complete training in an approved alcohol awareness program.

4 27–102.

5 This title applies only in Queen Anne’s County.

6 27–1901.

7 (a) The following sections of Title 4, Subtitle 5 (“Conduct of Local License
8 Holders”) of Division I of this article apply in the county without exception or variation:

9 (1) § 4–502 (“Storage of alcoholic beverages”);

10 (2) § 4–503 (“Solicitations and sales outside of licensed premises”);

11 (3) [§ 4–505 (“Alcohol awareness program”);

12 (4)] § 4–506 (“Evidence of purchaser’s age”);

13 [(5)] (4) § 4–507 (“Retail delivery of alcoholic beverages”); and

14 [(6)] (5) § 4–508 (“Display of license”).

15 (b) [Section 4–504] **THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF TITLE 4, SUBTITLE 5**
16 **(“CONDUCT OF LOCAL LICENSE HOLDERS”) OF DIVISION I OF THIS ARTICLE APPLY**
17 **IN THE COUNTY:**

18 (1) § 4–504 (“Employment of underage individuals”) [of Division I of this
19 article applies in the county], subject to § 27–1902 of this subtitle; **AND**

20 (2) § 4–505 (“ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM”), **SUBJECT TO §**
21 **27–1903 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

22 **27–1903.**

23 (A) **A LICENSE HOLDER OR AN INDIVIDUAL DESIGNATED BY THE LICENSE**
24 **HOLDER WHO HAS COMPLETED TRAINING IN AN APPROVED ALCOHOL AWARENESS**
25 **PROGRAM AS REQUIRED UNDER § 4–505(E) OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE PRESENT ON**
26 **THE LICENSED PREMISES AT ALL TIMES WHEN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY BE**
27 **SOLD.**

28 (B) **A LICENSE HOLDER WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO:**

1 **(1) FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, A \$100 FINE; AND**

2 **(2) FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$500**
3 **OR A SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OR BOTH.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
5 1, 2019.