

SENATE BILL 427

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By: **Senator Hershey**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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CHAPTER _____

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)

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

3 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

4 4–505.

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

7 27–102.

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

9 27–1901.

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

12 (1) § 4–502 (“Storage of alcoholic beverages”);

13 (2) § 4–503 (“Solicitations and sales outside of licensed premises”);

14 (3) [§ 4–505 (“Alcohol awareness program”);

15 (4)] § 4–506 (“Evidence of purchaser’s age”);

16 [(5)] (4) § 4–507 (“Retail delivery of alcoholic beverages”); and

17 [(6)] (5) § 4–508 (“Display of license”).

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

21 (1) **§ 4–504** (“Employment of underage individuals”) [of Division I of this
22 article applies in the county], subject to § 27–1902 of this subtitle; **AND**

23 (2) **§ 4–505 (“ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM”), SUBJECT TO §**
24 **27–1903 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

25 **27–1903.**

26 (A) **A LICENSE HOLDER OR AN INDIVIDUAL DESIGNATED BY THE LICENSE**
27 **HOLDER WHO HAS COMPLETED TRAINING IN AN APPROVED ALCOHOL AWARENESS**

1 PROGRAM AS REQUIRED UNDER § 4-505(E) OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE PRESENT ON
2 THE LICENSED PREMISES AT ALL TIMES WHEN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY BE
3 SOLD.

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

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

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

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

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.