

HOUSE BILL 550

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CF SB 476

By: **Delegates Watson and Brooks**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2022

Assigned to: Economic Matters

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Manufacturer’s Licenses and Off-Site Permits – Sunset**
3 **Extension**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~extending~~ repealing the termination date for various provisions
5 relating to alcoholic beverages manufacturer’s licenses and off-site permits,
6 including provisions repealing specified permits and establishing a manufacturer
7 off-site permit and brewery special event permit, altering the fee structure for
8 several manufacturer’s licenses, ~~authorizing holders of certain manufacturer’s~~
9 ~~licenses to sell and deliver and to directly ship their own alcoholic beverages products~~
10 ~~to certain individuals under certain circumstances~~, altering the limitations of the
11 Class 7 limited beer wholesaler’s license, and altering the privileges associated with
12 certain licenses; extending the termination date for provisions relating to the
13 authorization of holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses to sell and deliver and to
14 directly ship their own alcoholic beverages products to certain individuals under
15 certain circumstances; altering the privileges associated with certain manufacturer’s
16 licenses; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages, manufacturer’s licenses, and
17 off-site permits.

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
19 Chapter 359 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021
20 Section 4

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22 Chapter 360 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021
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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 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 2 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
 3 Section 2–130(c)
 4 Annotated Code of Maryland
 5 (2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

8 **Chapter 359 of the Acts of 2021**

9 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
 10 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has
 11 been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to
 12 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is
 13 enacted. ~~§~~ **SECTION 3 OF THIS ACT** shall remain effective through [December 31, 2022]
 14 **JUNE 30, 2023**, and, at the end of [December 31, 2022] **JUNE 30, 2023**, **SECTION 3 OF**
 15 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
 16 of no further force and effect.

17 **Chapter 360 of the Acts of 2021**

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 25 of no further force and effect.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
 27 as follows:

28 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

29 2–130.

30 (c) **(1)** During an event listed in subsection (e) of this section, the permit holder
 31 may:

32 [(1)] (I) provide samples and sell products to a consumer that are
 33 manufactured by the permit holder under the permit holder’s license;

34 [(2)] (II) provide to a consumer a sample that may not exceed:

1 [(i)] 1. 1 fluid ounce for each offering of wine;

2 [(ii)] 2. 1 fluid ounce for each offering of beer; or

3 [(iii)] 3. 0.25 fluid ounce for each offering of liquor;

4 [(3)] (III) sell to a consumer for on–premises consumption; and

5 [(4)] (IV) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, sell to a
6 consumer for off–premises consumption.

7 (2) THE HOLDER OF A CLASS 5 BREWERY LICENSE, A CLASS 7
8 MICRO–BREWERY LICENSE, OR A CLASS 8 FARM BREWERY LICENSE MAY SELL TO
9 EACH CONSUMER AT AN APPROVED OFF–SITE PERMITTED EVENT UNDER THE
10 PERMIT UP TO 288 OUNCES OF BEER FOR OFF–PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

11 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take
12 effect July 1, 2023.

13 SECTION ~~2~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in
14 Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.