

# HOUSE BILL 667

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By: **Delegate Lisanti**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2022

Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor**  
3 **Licenses – Restaurants**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that a restaurant applying for a Class B beer,  
5 wine, and liquor license in Harford County must have been in full-time operation for  
6 the 6 months prior to filing the application; and generally relating to alcoholic  
7 beverages licenses in Harford County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

10 Section 22–102 and 22–902(a)

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

15 Section 22–902(b)

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

21 22–102.

22 This title applies only in Harford County.

23 22–902.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) There is:

2 (1) a Class B beer, wine, and liquor 6–day license; and

3 (2) a Class B beer, wine, and liquor 7–day license.

4 (b) The Board may issue the license to a license holder for use by:

5 (1) a hotel that:

6 (i) accommodates the public and provides service ordinarily found  
7 in hotels; and

8 (ii) has:

9 1. at least 25 rooms;

10 2. a lobby with a registration and mail desk; and

11 3. a dining room that serves full–course meals at least twice  
12 daily; or

13 (2) a restaurant that:

14 (i) serves full–course meals at least twice daily on each day it is  
15 open;

16 (ii) has regular seating at tables, not including seats at bars or  
17 counters, for at least 60 individuals; **AND**

18 (iii) [has been in full–time operation as a restaurant for at least 6  
19 months immediately before the application for the license was made, unless the restaurant  
20 business was disrupted as a result of fire or other disaster; and

21 (iv)] has had a greater daily average in receipts from food sales than  
22 from beer, wine, and liquor sales during the 6 months immediately before the application  
23 for the license was made.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
25 1, 2022.