

SENATE BILL 650

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By: **Senators Young and Hough**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Population**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the population formula used to determine the number of
4 certain alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued in an election district in
5 Frederick County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
8 Section 20–102
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
13 Section 20–1601
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

19 20–102.

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 This title applies only in Frederick County.

2 20–1601.

3 (a) (1) For every 4,000 individuals [or major fraction] in an election district,
4 the Board may not issue more than one license in each of the following classes:

5 (i) Class A (off–sale) beer license;

6 (ii) Class A (off–sale) beer and wine license; and

7 (iii) Class A (off–sale) beer, wine, and liquor license.

8 (2) The population of each election district is to be determined by the most
9 recent federal census.

10 (b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, in an election district in
11 which the number of licenses in a class that were issued as of June 1, 1949, exceeds the
12 quota specified in subsection (a) of this section, the Board may not issue new licenses in
13 that class.

14 (2) The Board may issue new licenses in a class when the number of
15 licenses in that class falls below the quota specified in subsection (a) of this section.

16 (c) This section does not apply to the transfer or renewal of a license.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
18 1, 2022.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.