

Chapter 757

**(House Bill 667)**

AN ACT concerning

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

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

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 22–102 and 22–902(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 22–902(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

**Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

22–102.

This title applies only in Harford County.

22–902.

- (a) There is:
  - (1) a Class B beer, wine, and liquor 6–day license; and
  - (2) a Class B beer, wine, and liquor 7–day license.
- (b) The Board may issue the license to a license holder for use by:
  - (1) a hotel that:

- in hotels; and
  - (i) accommodates the public and provides service ordinarily found
  - (ii) has:
    - 1. at least 25 rooms;
    - 2. a lobby with a registration and mail desk; and
    - 3. a dining room that serves full-course meals at least twice
- daily; or
  - (2) a restaurant that:
    - (i) serves full-course meals at least twice daily on each day it is open;
    - (ii) has regular seating at tables, not including seats at bars or counters, for at least 60 individuals; **AND**
    - (iii) [has been in full-time operation as a restaurant for at least 6 months immediately before the application for the license was made, unless the restaurant business was disrupted as a result of fire or other disaster; and
    - (iv)] has had a greater daily average in receipts from food sales than from beer, wine, and liquor sales during the 6 months immediately before the application for the license was made.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, ~~2022~~ 2023.

**Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 29, 2022.**