

# HOUSE BILL 644

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By: **Frederick County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Golf Simulator Facility**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County  
4 to issue a Class B–GSF (golf simulator facility) license to a golf simulator facility  
5 under certain circumstances; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and  
6 liquor for on–premises consumption under certain circumstances; requiring the  
7 license holder to submit a certain report to the Board before a license may be  
8 renewed; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Frederick County.

9 BY renumbering

10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
11 Section 20–1009  
12 to be Section 20–1008  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

16 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
17 Section 20–102  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

20 BY adding to

21 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
22 Section 20–1009

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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 Annotated Code of Maryland  
2 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

3 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
4 That Section(s) 20–1009 of Article – Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated Code of Maryland  
5 be renumbered to be Section(s) 20–1008.

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

8 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

9 20–102.

10 This title applies only in Frederick County.

11 **20–1009.**

12 **(A) THERE IS A CLASS B–GSF (GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY) LICENSE.**

13 **(B) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE THE LICENSE FOR USE BY A GOLF SIMULATOR**  
14 **FACILITY THAT:**

15 **(1) IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC;**

16 **(2) HAS AT LEAST FIVE GOLF SIMULATOR BAYS; AND**

17 **(3) HAS ACCOMMODATIONS THAT ARE PREDOMINANTLY DEDICATED**  
18 **TO GOLF SIMULATOR BAYS AND SEATING DEDICATED TO THE GOLF SIMULATOR**  
19 **BAYS.**

20 **(C) AN APPLICANT FOR THE LICENSE SHALL SUBMIT TO THE BOARD A**  
21 **FLOOR PLAN OR LAYOUT OF THE PROPOSED LICENSED PREMISES THAT**  
22 **ILLUSTRATES THAT THE PROPOSED LICENSED PREMISES IS PREDOMINANTLY**  
23 **DEDICATED TO GOLF SIMULATOR BAYS AND HAS SEATING DEDICATED TO THE GOLF**  
24 **SIMULATOR BAYS.**

25 **(D) THE LICENSE HOLDER MAY SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR FOR**  
26 **ON–PREMISES CONSUMPTION:**

27 **(1) IF THE LICENSE HOLDER OFFERS FOOD ON–PREMISES AT ALL**  
28 **TIMES WHEN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE BEING SOLD; AND**

29 **(2) DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH §**  
30 **20–2005 OF THIS TITLE.**

1           **(E) (1) THE LICENSE HOLDER’S ANNUAL GROSS SALES FROM:**

2                           **(I) ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY NOT EXCEED 35% OF THE**  
3 **ANNUAL GROSS SALES OF THE GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY;**

4                           **(II) GOLF SIMULATOR BAY RENTAL FEES SHALL BE AT LEAST**  
5 **50% OF THE ANNUAL GROSS SALES OF THE GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY; AND**

6                           **(III) FOOD SHALL BE AT LEAST 15% OF THE ANNUAL GROSS**  
7 **SALES OF THE GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY.**

8                           **(2) BEFORE THE BOARD MAY RENEW THE LICENSE, THE LICENSE**  
9 **HOLDER SHALL PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH AN ANNUAL GROSS SALES REPORT FOR**  
10 **ALCOHOL, GOLF SIMULATOR BAY RENTAL FEES, AND FOOD THAT SHOWS THE**  
11 **LICENSE HOLDER HAS MET THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS**  
12 **SUBSECTION.**

13           **(F) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$1,500.**

14           SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
15 1, 2023.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.