

HOUSE BILL 632

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By: **Harford County Delegation**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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

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

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
11 Section 22–102
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2016 Volume and 2023 Supplement)

14 BY adding to
15 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
16 Section 22–1003.2
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2016 Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis**

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 22-102.

2 This title applies only in Harford County.

3 **22-1003.2.**

4 (A) THERE IS A CLASS GSF (GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY) LICENSE.

5 (B) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE THE LICENSE FOR USE BY A GOLF SIMULATOR
6 FACILITY THAT:

7 (1) IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC;

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

9 (3) HAS ACCOMMODATIONS THAT ARE PREDOMINANTLY DEDICATED
10 TO GOLF SIMULATOR BAYS AND SEATING DEDICATED TO THE GOLF SIMULATOR
11 BAYS.

12 (C) AN APPLICANT FOR THE LICENSE SHALL SUBMIT TO THE BOARD A
13 FLOOR PLAN OR LAYOUT OF THE PROPOSED LICENSED PREMISES THAT
14 ILLUSTRATES THAT THE PROPOSED LICENSED PREMISES IS PREDOMINANTLY
15 DEDICATED TO GOLF SIMULATOR BAYS AND HAS SEATING DEDICATED TO THE GOLF
16 SIMULATOR BAYS.

17 (D) THE LICENSE HOLDER MAY SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR FOR
18 ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION:

19 (1) IF THE LICENSE HOLDER OFFERS FOOD ON THE PREMISES AT ALL
20 TIMES WHEN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE BEING SOLD; AND

21 (2) DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH §
22 22-2004 OF THIS TITLE.

23 (E) (1) THE LICENSE HOLDER'S ANNUAL GROSS SALES FROM:

24 (I) ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY NOT EXCEED 35% OF THE
25 ANNUAL GROSS SALES OF THE GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY;

26 (II) GOLF SIMULATOR BAY RENTAL FEES SHALL BE AT LEAST
27 50% OF THE ANNUAL GROSS SALES OF THE GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY; AND

28 (III) FOOD SHALL BE AT LEAST 15% OF THE ANNUAL GROSS

1 SALES OF THE GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY.

2 (2) BEFORE THE BOARD MAY RENEW THE LICENSE, THE LICENSE
3 HOLDER SHALL PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH AN ANNUAL GROSS SALES REPORT FOR
4 ALCOHOL, GOLF SIMULATOR BAY RENTAL FEES, AND FOOD THAT SHOWS THE
5 LICENSE HOLDER HAS MET THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
6 SUBSECTION.

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

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
9 1, 2024.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.