

HOUSE BILL 1213

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By: **Delegate R. Long**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2025

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class A Licenses – Self-Checkout**
3 **Machines Prohibited**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a holder of a Class A license from operating a self-checkout
5 machine on the licensed premises; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages
6 licenses in Baltimore County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
9 Section 13–102
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2024 Replacement Volume)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
14 Section 13–701, 13–802, and 13–901
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2024 Replacement Volume)

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

19 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis**

20 13–102.

21 This title applies only in Baltimore County.

22 13–701.

23 (a) There is a Class A wine license in the county.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) (1) The license may be issued to a holder of a Class 3 winery license or
2 Class 4 limited winery license.

3 (2) A holder of a Class 4 limited winery license that applies for a Class A
4 wine license is exempt from any quota established by the Board concerning the number of
5 licenses in the election district where the winery is located.

6 (c) (1) The license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail at the place
7 described in the license wine produced at the winery that contains not more than 21% of
8 alcohol by volume.

9 (2) Wine shall be sold in a sealed package or container that may not be
10 opened or its contents consumed on the licensed premises.

11 **(D) A LICENSE HOLDER MAY NOT OPERATE A SELF-CHECKOUT MACHINE ON**
12 **THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

13 **[(d)] (E)** The annual license fee is \$100.

14 13-802.

15 (a) There is a Class A beer and wine license.

16 (b) (1) The license authorizes the license holder to sell beer and wine, at retail,
17 at the place described in the license.

18 (2) The license holder shall sell the beer and wine in a sealed package or
19 container.

20 (3) The package or container may not be opened and its contents may not
21 be consumed on the premises where the beer or wine is sold.

22 **(C) A LICENSE HOLDER MAY NOT OPERATE A SELF-CHECKOUT MACHINE ON**
23 **THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

24 **[(c)] (D)** The annual license fee is \$250.

25 13-901.

26 (a) There is a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license.

27 (b) (1) The license authorizes the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor
28 at retail at the place described in the license.

1 (2) The license holder shall deliver the beer, wine, or liquor in a sealed
2 container that may not be opened or its contents consumed on the licensed premises.

3 (c) A license may not be issued for any drugstore unless the applicant:

4 (1) has been doing business at the location applied for in the license for at
5 least 1 year before the date of the application for the license;

6 (2) is the assignee of a business established for at least 1 year before the
7 date of the application for the license at the location applied for; or

8 (3) has been engaged in the retail drug business for at least 3 years.

9 **(D) A LICENSE HOLDER MAY NOT OPERATE A SELF-CHECKOUT MACHINE ON**
10 **THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

11 ~~[(d)]~~ **(E)** The annual license fee is \$900.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
13 1, 2025.