

Chapter 822

(House Bill 866)

AN ACT concerning

**Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class C (Theater) Beer, Wine, and
Liquor License**

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class C (theater) beer, wine, and liquor license in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue the license; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption, subject to certain limitations; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY renumbering

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

Section 20–1014.1

to be Section 20–1014.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2024 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

Section 20–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

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BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

Section 20–1014.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 20–1014.1 of Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 20–1014.2.

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

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

20–102.

This title applies only in Frederick County.

20-1014.1.

(A) THERE IS A CLASS C (THEATER) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

(B) THE MANAGER OF THE THEATER OR ANY OTHER OFFICIAL DESIGNATED BY THE THEATER MAY SIGN THE APPLICATION FOR THE LICENSE.

(C) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A LICENSE FOR USE BY A THEATER WITH SEATING.

(D) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER TO SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION FROM 1 HOUR BEFORE TO 1 HOUR AFTER:

(1) A REGULAR PERFORMANCE;

(2) A FUND-RAISER PERFORMANCE THAT BENEFITS THE THEATER;

OR

(3) AN EVENT HOSTED BY AN OUTSIDE GROUP THAT HAS RENTED THE THEATER.

(E) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$150.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2025.

Approved by the Governor, May 20, 2025.