

SENATE BILL 855

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CF HB 1183

By: **Senator Sydnor**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2026

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore County – Alcoholic Beverages – Manufacturer’s Limited Beer, Wine,**
3 **and Liquor Permit**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a manufacturer’s limited beer, wine, and liquor permit in
5 Baltimore County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore
6 County to issue the permit to holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses; requiring
7 the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages
8 in Baltimore County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
11 Section 13–102
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
16 Section 13–401
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

19 BY adding to
20 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
21 Section 13–403
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

26 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 13–102.

2 This title applies only in Baltimore County.

3 13–401.

4 (a) The following sections of Title 2, Subtitle 2 (“Manufacturer’s Licenses”) of
5 Division I of this article apply in the county without exception or variation:

6 (1) § 2–201 (“Issuance by Comptroller”);

7 (2) § 2–202 (“Class 1 distillery license”);

8 (3) § 2–203 (“Class 9 limited distillery license”);

9 (4) § 2–204 (“Class 2 rectifying license”);

10 (5) § 2–205 (“Class 3 winery license”);

11 (6) § 2–206 (“Class 4 limited winery license”);

12 (7) [§ 2–207 (“Class 5 brewery license”);

13 (8)] § 2–208 (“Class 6 pub–brewery license”);

14 [(9)] **(8)** § 2–209 (“Class 7 micro–brewery license”);

15 [(10)] **(9)** § 2–210 (“Class 8 farm brewery license”);

16 [(11)] **(10)** § 2–211 (“Residency requirement”);

17 [(12)] **(11)** § 2–212 (“Additional licenses”);

18 [(13)] **(12)** § 2–213 (“Additional fees”);

19 [(14)] **(13)** § 2–214 (“Sale or delivery restricted”);

20 [(15)] **(14)** § 2–216 (“Interaction between manufacturing entities and
21 retailers”);

22 [(16)] **(15)** § 2–217 (“Distribution of alcoholic beverages — Prohibited
23 practices”); and

24 [(17)] **(16)** § 2–218 (“Restrictive agreements between producers and
25 retailers — Prohibited”).

(b) Section 2–215 (“Beer sale on credit to retail dealer prohibited”) of Division I of this article does not apply in the county.

(c) **SECTION 2–207 (“CLASS 5 BREWERY LICENSE”) OF DIVISION I OF THIS ARTICLE APPLIES IN THE COUNTY, SUBJECT TO § 13–403 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

13–403.

(A) **THERE IS A MANUFACTURER’S LIMITED BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMIT.**

(B) **THE BOARD MAY ISSUE THE PERMIT TO A HOLDER OF A MANUFACTURER’S LICENSE WITH A LOCAL ON–SITE CONSUMPTION PERMIT UNDER § 2–207 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

(C) (1) **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PERMIT AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO ALLOW A LICENSED CATERER OR OTHER CONTRACTED PARTY TO PROVIDE SEALED BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PRODUCTS NOT MANUFACTURED BY THE PERMIT HOLDER DURING PRIVATE EVENTS FOR ON–PREMISES CONSUMPTION AT THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE MANUFACTURER’S LICENSE.**

(2) **THE PERMIT HOLDER MAY NOT BE AN AFFILIATE OF THE LICENSED CATERER OR OTHER CONTRACTED PARTY.**

(D) **THE PERMIT HOLDER MAY NOT ALLOW PATRONS WHO ARE VISITING ANY PART OF THE MANUFACTURER’S LICENSED PREMISES THAT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO ENTER THE PRIVATE EVENT AREA WHILE THE PRIVATE EVENT IS BEING HELD.**

(E) **THE PERMIT HOLDER SHALL REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD BEFORE EACH EVENT.**

(F) **THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION, INCLUDING:**

(1) **CRITERIA FOR APPROVING EVENTS; AND**

(2) **SETTING THE ANNUAL PERMIT FEE.**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2026.