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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Vote Yes on Senate Bill SB 139

Bill Title: Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - Correction in Issuance of Class C License

Hearing Date: February 28, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Chair: Paul G. Pinsky, Vice Chair: Cheryl C. Kagan

I write to you today in <u>support</u> of Senate Bill 139. This bill will prohibit the Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners from issuing a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in the 45th district.

Several years ago, the authority to grant liquor licenses in the 45th district was given to the liquor board. It is now my goal to restore authority back to the legislature instead of the liquor board having an authority which no other district permits. This bill is essential because it will keep the legislature up to date with affairs in the district. Additionally, this bill will also allow the legislature to keep constituents up to date with affairs in the district.

This bill will mandate that those seeking a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in the 45th district will have to be approved by the Maryland General Assembly.

In an effort to repeal a provision which allowed Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners to issue a Class C license in the 45th district, we hope that you will move for a **favorable** report of Senate Bill 139.

Respectfully,

Cory V. McCray State Senator