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Testimony in Support of SB 0654 –  
Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class HC (Health Club) License

I am an attorney in Harford County with an extensive practice in alcoholic beverages law for 38 years.

I write in support of SB 0654 creating a new class of license, namely the Class HC (Health Club) License. I represent Harford Health & Fitness, Inc. t/a The Arena Club, located in Churchville, Harford County, Maryland. The owners are Keith and Kathy Rawlings. Their club members desire to have the ability to purchase beer, wine and/or liquor for consumption on the premises. The health club is a full-service venue with outdoor pools (tented in the wintertime) and pickle ball courts. Allowing this license to be enacted will meet their club members' demand.

Moreover, the Maryland Golf and Country Clubs, Fallston Swim Club, and Valley Brook Pool all have the ability to serve alcohol. Enacting SB 0654 will place The Arena Club in a position similar to Maryland Golf and Country Clubs, Fallston Swim Club, and Valley Brook Pool. The owners are extremely responsible with a dedicated staff. All servers will be alcohol awareness trained and carding will be strictly enforced.

I urge your support for SB 0654.

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HARFORD COUNTY DELEGATION

**SB 654-Harford County-Alcoholic Beverages-Class HC (Health Club) License  
February 24, 2023**

Chair Griffith and Members of the House Economic Matters Committee:

This bill would establish a Class HC (Health Club) beer wine and liquor license in Harford County, Maryland.

HB 1063 establishes a 6- or 7-day Class HC License to be issued by the Board of License Commissioners to a person who sells health club services at an annual fee of \$1300 for a 6- day license and \$1400 for a 7 -day license.

Alcohol Awareness Training is required by statutes already in place in the County and the State.

The Harford County Delegation supports this bill and has made the cross file, HB 1063, a Harford County Delegation Bill which is reflected in the documents in your bill folder.

The Delegation respectfully asks for a FAVORABLE report from the committee.

Delegate Teresa E. Reilly  
Chair  
Harford County Delegation

# Harford County Delegation

Voting Record – 2023 Session

Bill/Issue: LR 1485 (HB 1063)

Vote Date: 2-9-23

Final Action: FAV

Motion: to make LR 1485 a delegation bill (HB 1063)

1st A. Johnson

2nd Arikan

- Favorable    
  Favorable with Amendment    
  Unfavorable    
  Withdrawn

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Excused	Absent	Amendment Numbers, Notes, Other
Reilly, T., Chair	✓					
McComas, S. Vice Chair	✓					
Arikan, L.	✓					
Griffith, M.	✓					
Johnson, A.	✓					
Johnson, S.	✓					
<b>Totals</b>	<u>6</u>					

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## **2.23.23 SENATE PJM CHAIR SB 0654 HC Ltr of Support**

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February 23, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

The Honorable Melony Griffith  
Chair, Finance Committee  
3 East  
Miller Senate Office Building,  
Annapolis, MD 21401

**RE: SB 0654– Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages – Health Club License – Support with Amendments**

To the Honorable Melony Griffith, Chair, and distinguished members of the Finance Committee:

The Harford County Liquor Control Board (HCLCB) respectfully submits the below recommendations and comments for SB 0654, Health Club License for the 2023 session:

This legislation is intended to create a liquor license to serve beer and wine for Health Clubs in Harford County.

The amendments to SB 0654 address many of the concerns raised during discussions of the proposal by the Commissioners of the HCLCB.

On behalf of the Commissioners of the Harford County (MD) Liquor Control Board, I wish to convey to the Members of the Maryland legislature that the HCLCB Commissioners have reviewed SB 0654, including the recent amendments and can now offer its support of the bill for the creation of a “new” class of license for Health Clubs in Harford County.

If the Commissioners of the Board may be of any further assistance to the Committee, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Majewski".

Paul J. Majewski, II  
Chair

PJM/mc