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BILL NO.: **HB 1269**

TITLE: Baltimore County – Alcoholic Beverages – License Applications – Online Notice

SPONSOR: Delegate Ebersole

COMMITTEE: Economic Matters

POSITION: Support with Amendment

DATE: February 19, 2024

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS WITH AMENDMENTS** House Bill 1269 - Baltimore County - Alcoholic Beverages - License Applications - Online Notice. This legislation would authorize the Baltimore County Liquor Board to modernize and fulfill one of the two application hearing date notice requirements by electronically posting hearing dates to the Baltimore County website, and continuing to fulfill the second notice requirement by publishing hearing dates in a newspaper of general circulation in the State of Maryland.

Baltimore County requested and supports the technical amendment, introduced and passed in the Baltimore House Delegation, which clarifies drafting errors on page 2, line 5: in “one” (instead of two) newspapers of general circulation in Baltimore County (instead of “jurisdiction”); replacing the language “notice of application” with “notice of hearing” on page 2, line 18.

Accordingly, Baltimore County urges a **FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS** report on HB 1269 from the House Economic Matters Committee. For more information, please contact Jenn Aiosa, Director of Government Affairs at jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov.