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## THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF DELEGATES Annapolis, Maryland 21401 WICOMICO COUNTY DELEGATION

February 14, 2024

Chairman C.T Wilson Economic Matters Committee Room 231 House Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: HB1341- Wicomico County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses - Purchases From Licensed Wholesalers and Self-Distribution

Dear Chairman Wilson and Members of the Economic Matters Committee,

The Wicomico County Delegation supports HB1341- Alcoholic Beverages - Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses - Purchases From Licensed Wholesalers and Self-Distribution and are asking for a **favorable report**. This bill was brought to us from the Wicomico County Council and the Wicomico County Executive with unanimous support. HB1341 allows the holder of a Class B BWL and Class 9 Limited Distillery License to sell products manufactured at the Class 9 Distillery for off premise consumption.

Thank you for your consideration and please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Delegate Carl Anderton Jr., Chair, Wicomico County Delegation



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Wicomico County Delegation c/o Delegate Carl L. Anderton, Jr. House Office Building, Room 310 6 Bladen Street, Room 310 Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Class 9 Limited Distillery License

Dear Senators and Delegates:

This letter is in support of the request by the Wicomico County Board of License Commissions for legislation to allow the holder of a Class B BWL and Class 9 Limited Distillery License to sell products manufactured at the Class 9 Distillery for off premise consumption. A copy of their request dated October 25, 2023 is enclosed for your reference.

Allowing for the sale of products manufactured at the Class 9 Distillery will promote economic sustainability for the businesses and create a business-friendly community.

We appreciate your assistance. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Council Office at 410-548-4696.

Sincerely,

WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

John T. Cannon, Council President

Enclosure

cc: Wicomico County Council



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Wicomico County Delegation c/o Delegate Carl L. Anderton, Jr. House Office Building, Room 310 6 Bladen Street Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Re: HB 1341

Dear Senators and Delegates:

This letter is in support of HB 1341 which will allow a Class B Restaurant BWL License an on and off sale privilege. Currently, Wicomico County law does not allow such off-premise alcohol sales.

Accordingly, we are requesting that an amendment to the Class B BWL License holder's Class 9 Distillery that allows off-premise sale only of the product manufactured by them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

WICOMICQ COUNTY, MARYLAND

Julie M. Giordono County Executive