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TO: The Honorable Members of the Economic Matters Alcoholic Beverages Subcommittee

FROM: Michelle Wirzberger, Esq., Deputy Executive Secretary

RE: House Bill 346 Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – 43<sup>rd</sup> Alcoholic Beverages District – Class BD7 Licenses

DATE: February 17, 2025

**POSITION: FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT**

Chair Valderrama and members of the Economic Matters Alcoholic Beverages Subcommittee, please be advised that the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City Supports House Bill 346.

House Bill 346 authorizes the Board to create up to five (5) BD7 licenses in specified areas within the 43<sup>rd</sup> legislative district. The bill contains several mandates including:

- A prohibition against creating a separate packaged goods area
- A requirement that at least 51% of the establishment's average daily receipts come from the sale of items other than package goods
- The applicant for each license must execute a memorandum of understanding with the Greater Remington Improvement Association

In addition, an amendment will be offered to revive a Class "C" license located at 4500 North Charles Street that has inadvertently expired.

This bill allows for a vast array of alcoholic beverage options while simultaneously supporting small business growth and engagement of the surrounding community. Therefore, the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City respectfully requests a favorable report on House Bill 346.