



TO: Senator Johnny Mautz

FROM: Andy Kitzrow, City Administrator

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RE: SB798 Fiscal and Policy Note – Supplemental information

As outline in Fiscal and Policy Note for Senate Bill 798, the Wicomico County Board of License Commissioners will adopt regulations for the BWL License and To-Go Event Permit. Here are some of the operational processes and controls that will be detailed in the regulations for permits.

Operational Process

- **To-Go Cups** - The City of Salisbury will issue City approved to-go cups to eligible establishments. Establishments are eligible if they hold a Class C per diem municipal to-go BWL license and received a Temporary To-go Event Permit. These to-go cups will only be used during permitted events.
- **To-Go Process** – Trained staff at a Class C licensed establishment would serve or transfer alcoholic beverages into the to-go cups as patrons exit their establishment. Alcoholic beverages include beer, wine, and mixed cocktails. Patrons would receive a wristband upon exiting the establishment identifying them as of legal age.

Alcohol Controls

- Event staff/City officials/ City police would monitor alcohol consumption once the beverage has left the establishment premise and entered the preauthorized event footprint. This footprint is approved during the permitting process for each event.
- Once alcohol has been poured into a to-go cup and the patron has left the establishment, the patron is prohibited from re-entering that location or another participating establishment until their cup is empty.
- Establishments will be responsible for all on-premise consumption of alcohol, including but not limited to ID checks, responsible consumption, approved alcoholic beverages, and local/state licensing regulations.