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February 17, 2025

The Honorable Pamela Beidle
Finance Committee
3 East Miller Senate Office Building
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Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB 0826 – Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2025

Dear Chair Beidle:

The Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board (Board) requested the Garrett County Delegation to introduce Senate Bill 0826 known as the Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2025. The legislative request relates to Title 21 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article specific to Garrett County. The request includes a few housekeeping amendments and establishing a new license class for Class B restaurant licenses in Garrett County.

The request to create the new classification of Class "BC" Resort Complex restaurant licenses was made by a license holder and on behalf of other license holders who own and operate more than one licensed facility that have more than one serving area or restaurant on their property. These properties are of mixed use and not only include more than one restaurant, but there are also hotel style vacation rentals on-site and some residential properties in proximity. The proposed housekeeping changes to the application and advertisement requirements to the various festival and per diem licenses are requested for consistency in the application and hearing process.

The Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board asks for your favorable consideration of Senate Bill 0826 known as the Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2025.

The Board thanks you for the support you may give this legislative request.

Sincerely,

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Deborah R. Owston
Administrator to the Board of License Commissioners

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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
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Senate Bill 826 – Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2025

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Dear Chair Beidle, Vice Chairman Hayes, and Members of the Committee,

The Garrett County Delegation expresses their support for Senate Bill 826 – Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2025. The bill's purpose is establish certain deluxe complex restaurant and resort complex beer and wine and beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Garrett County. The bill will also require the Board of License Commissioners to hold a hearing for the issuance of Certain Festival licenses and altering certain notice requirements for the hearing. Certain festival license applicants will also be required to apply in a certain manner. The bill also clarifies the entities to which the board may issue certain multiple day/multiple event licenses.

The Delegation thanks you for your time and asks for a favorable report.

Sincerely,

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Senator Mike McKay
Garrett County Delegation Chair
Representing the Appalachia Region of Maryland
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