

SB 76

Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class C (Veterans’ Organization) Licenses – Membership

1. Opening Statement

Good morning/afternoon, Chair, Vice Chair, and members of the Committee. My name is Giuseppe Mellinger, and I am here on behalf of Senator Simonaire as his intern to testify in support of SB 76.

You should have a letter of support from our Anne Arundel County Delegation.

2. Purpose of the Bill

SB 76 is a local bill. It simply updates the Class C (veterans’ organization) alcoholic beverages license in Anne Arundel County **to include all branches of the Uniformed Services, not just the Armed Forces.**

This bill aligns with last year's *Modernization of Maryland Military Laws Act*.

3. SB 76 modernizes and corrects this

The bill ensures

- Fairness across all federal uniformed services
- Consistency with federal definitions of “uniformed service”
- Inclusivity for organizations that support service members and their families

4. Closing

For these reasons, I respectfully urge a favorable report on SB 76. Thank you for your consideration.