



THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

**Testimony in Support of HB519**

Testimony by Delegate Andrew Pruski

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**What the Bill Does:**

The purpose of HB519: Anne Arundel County-Alcoholic Beverages-Entertainment permits - Altering the titles of certain entertainment permits for certain alcoholic beverages license holders in Anne Arundel County; altering the authorized forms of entertainment that certain entertainment permit holders in the county may provide; and adding a 100-foot zoning distance requirement from any residential property applicable to certain entertainment permit holders in the county.

**Why the Bill is Important:**

HB519 bill provides significant updates, such as new restrictions and regulations on Entertainment permits. The new zoning distance requirements, which any authorized entertainment under the permit must be at least one hundred feet away from residential property, which aids in reducing noise and disruption near residential properties. As well as providing three new types of entertainment permits. Background Entertainment, Full Entertainment and General Entertainment permit. This bill provides much needed clarity to the law and updates antiquated language around activities in bars and restaurants.

**I request a favorable report on HB519.**