

House Bill No. 778

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County - ~~Catering License~~ Alcoholic Beverages - Class B Beer and Light Wine Licenses ~~Licenses and Open Containers~~

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Wicomico County Board of License Commissioners to issue a caterer's license for a certain fee to ~~the a~~ holder of a Class B restaurant or hotel (on-sale) beer and light wine license; authorizing a holder of a Class B beer and light wine catering license to provide beer and light wine at certain events off the Class B licensed premises; establishing the hours and days for sale for a Class B beer and light wine catering license; requiring that a holder of a Class B beer and light wine catering license serve food at a catered event; clarifying that a catering license is not required for catering on Class B beer and light wine licensed premises; authorizing the Board to issue a special beer festival license for participation in a beer festival on nonlicensed premises in the county; specifying the qualifications, scope, fee, and time restrictions for a special beer festival license; requiring that the products to be displayed and sold by a special beer festival license holder be of a certain type; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations and to designate the number of times that a special beer festival license may be issued; providing that a special beer festival license holder is not prohibited from holding another alcoholic beverages license; specifying that certain licenses issued in the county are not subject to certain writs or a distraint for rent; prohibiting a person from possessing an alcoholic beverage in an open container while in certain areas in Wicomico County unless authorized; making a stylistic change changes; making a technical correction; and generally relating to a Class B beer and light wine catering license alcoholic beverages in Wicomico County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6-709, 10-501(a), and 19-301 through 19-303

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY adding toArticle 2B - Alcoholic BeveragesSection 8-804 and 10-501(f)Annotated Code of Maryland(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages