

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new Article be, and the same is hereby added to the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, the said new Article to follow immediately after Article 2-A, to be known as Article 2-B, to be entitled "Alcoholic Beverages," and to read as follows:

DEFINITIONS. (1) The words "alcoholic beverages" when used in this Act shall be construed to include alcohol, brandy, whiskey, rum, gin, beer, ale, porter, stout, wine, and cider, and in addition thereto, any spirituous, vinous, malt or fermented liquor, liquids and compounds of whatever name called, containing one-half of one percentum or more of alcohol by volume, which are fit for beverage purposes, provided that the foregoing definition shall not extend to wine and cider when manufactured for home consumption and which are not sold by the maker or manufacturer, nor to alcohol used exclusively for the manufacture of medicinal, antiseptic or toilet preparations, flavoring extracts and other preparations unfit for beverage purposes.

(2) The word "person" shall mean and include natural persons, associations, co-partnerships and corporations.

(3) The word "manufacturer" shall mean any "person" operating a plant or place of business within this State, for distilling, brewing, fermenting, blending, rectifying or bottling any "alcoholic beverage".

(4) The word "wholesaler" shall mean any "person" who shall purchase, acquire or import any "alcoholic beverages" for resale only to "retail and wholesale dealers".

(5) The words "retail dealer" shall mean any holder of a license issued under the provisions of this Act, or any other law of this State which authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages other than a "manufacturer" or "wholesaler" and shall include a dispensary if such an establishment should be authorized in any county.

(6) The words "license holder" shall mean the holder of any license issued under the provisions of this Act.

(7) The word "importer" means the "person" transporting or shipping "alcoholic beverages" into the State of Maryland from any other State or Country, whether such "person" is a resident or non-resident of the State of Maryland.

(8) The word "import" means the transportation or ordering, or arranging for the transportation or shipment