

2014 Legislative Session:

Alcoholic Beverages

STATEWIDE:

1. Senate Bill 546 – House Bill 208 – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Containers

- (1) The identical bills standardize the requirements for all refillable containers authorized by local jurisdictions for use in the sale of draft beer and wine for off-premises consumption.
- (2) The bills rename a “refillable container license” as a “refillable container permit” to indicate that the authorization is secondary in nature and may be issued only to a person who already has an alcoholic beverages license.
- (3) The bills include a requirement that a refillable container be branded with an identifying mark of the seller of the container.
- (4) Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Prince George’s, and St. Mary’s counties are added to the roster of counties which refillable container permits for beer may be issued.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014.

2. Senate Bill 341 – House Bill 1079 – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Containers

- (1) These identical bills authorize the Board of License Commissioners in Calvert County to issue refillable container permits.
- (2) A refillable container permit for wine may also be issued in Howard County.
- (3) The bills authorize the Comptroller to adopt standards for refillable containers, including containers originating from outside the State.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

3. Senate Bill 226 – Alcoholic Beverages – Brewing Company Off-site Permit

- (1) This bill allows the Comptroller to issue a brewing company an off-site permit to a Class 7 micro-brewery that produces less than 3,000 barrels per year or a Class 8 farm brewery subject to specified requirements.
- (2) The permit may be used to sell to a consumer up to 288 ounces of beer that has been produced by the permit holder for off-premises consumption.
- (3) The permit may also be used to sell beer at certain farmers’ markets and other events.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

4. House Bill 464 – Alcoholic Beverages – Retail Sale of Prepackaged Beer

- (1) This bill authorizes the holder of a Class 7 micro-brewery license to sell at retail to customers for consumption off the licensed premises prepackaged, non-refillable containers of the micro-brewery’s own beer.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

5. House Bill 337 – Alcoholic Beverages – Class 8 Obtaining a Class 7 License

- (1) This bill authorizes the holder of a Class 8 farm brewery license to obtain a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license.
- (2) This bill also removes the prohibition on the issuance of a license for the sale of alcoholic beverages for any place of business located within specified districts in Frederick County if the business is a holder of a Class 8 farm brewery license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

6. House Bill 356 – Alcoholic Beverages – Farm Breweries

- (1) This bill expands the eligibility for special festival licenses in Baltimore city as well as Baltimore, Carroll, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett, St. Mary's and Wicomico counties to include holders of a Class 8 farm brewery license.
- (2) Moreover, the bill specifies that, in Garrett County, a holder of a Class 8 farm brewery license may open on Sundays during specified hours, in a precinct in an election district where the voters have voted to allow for Sunday sales.
- (3) A Class 8 farm brewery license is authorized to enter into a written temporary delivery agreement with a distributor for the delivery and return of beer to a beer festival or a wine and beer festival, provided the festival is located within a sales territory for which the holder does have a franchise with a distributor under the Beer Franchise Fair Dealing Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

7. House Bill 600 – Alcoholic Beverages – Farmer's Market Permit

- (1) This bill reestablishes the Comptroller's authority to issue a farmers' market permit to a holder of a license other than a Class 4 limited winery license if the license was issued by the local licensing board of the jurisdiction in which the farmers' market will be held.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

8. Senate Bill 75 – House Bill 359 – Alcoholic Beverages – Maximum Alcohol Content

- (1) The identical bills prohibit the sale of an alcoholic beverage with alcohol content by volume of 95% (190 proof) or more.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

9. Senate Bill 161 – House Bill 261 – Alcoholic Beverages – Hard Cider Definition

- (1) These identical bills codify current practice by expanding the definition of "hard cider" to include a beverage deprived primary from pears, or pear concentrate and water, containing at least one-half of 1% and less than 7% of alcohol by volume.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014.

10. House Bill 4 – Alcoholic Beverages – Prohibition of Vaportinis and Similar Devices

- (1) This bill expands the definition of an “alcohol without liquid (AWOL) machine” to include a Vaportini, or any similar device, that mixes an alcoholic product with pure oxygen or other gas to produce a vaporized product that can be inhaled.
- (2) The bill expands an existing prohibition related to the use, possession, purchase, transfer or sale of AWOL machines to apply to Vaportinis.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

LOCAL:

1. Senate Bill 1015 – House Bill 591 – Alcoholic Beverages – Anne Arundel County – Tasting Licenses

- (1) These identical bills create a Class BWLT beer, wine and liquor (on-premises) tasting license in Anne Arundel County. A Class BWLT license may only be issued to a holder of a Class A beer, wine and liquor (off-premises) license.
- (2) The eligibility requirements for a Class BWT beer and wine (on premises) tasting license are limited so that the license may only be issued to a holder of a Class A beer, wine, and liquor (off-premises) license or a Class A beer and wine (off-premises) license.
- (3) The annual fee for a Class BWT license is increased from \$50 to \$150 and a \$500 fee for a Class BWLT license is established.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

2. Senate Bill 846 – House Bill 831 – Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore City – Baltimore City Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2014

- (1) These bills provide for the appointment of three regular members and one alternate member to the Baltimore City Board of Liquor Commissioners by the Governor.
- (2) Each appointee must be a resident and voter of Baltimore City, with high character and integrity and of recognized business capacity.
- (3) The bills repeal the requirement that the executive secretary or the deputy executive secretary must be a member of the Maryland Bar.
- (4) Furthermore, significant changes are made to provisions governing the issuance, transfer, and renewal of licenses including changes to the collection and allocation of board revenues.

EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT.

3. Senate Bill 458 – House Bill 953 – Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore City – Microbreweries

- (1) These identical bills add Baltimore City to the list of locations in which a holder of a certain Class D alcoholic beverages license may be issued a Class 7 micro-brewery (on and off sale) license.

- (2) The bill authorizes the license holder to brew at two locations using the same license if the Comptroller determines that the second location is necessary because of insufficient space at the existing location.
- (3) Additionally, the bill prohibits the holder of the license from serving or selling beer at the second brewing location and authorizes the license holder to obtain a Class 2 rectifying license for the premises at the two locations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

4. Senate Bill 793 – Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore City – Class B Licenses

- (1) This bill authorizes the board to issue or allow the transfer of up to two Class B beer, wine, and liquor licenses into the area of 829 through 919 E. Fort Avenue within the 46th Legislative District only if the board has executed a memorandum of understanding between the community associations in Riverside and Locust Point regarding the nature of the proposed establishment and enforces the memorandum against any license holder seeking to renew or transfer the license.
- (2) The cumulative number of licenses that may be issued or transferred is two.
- (3) The board may not allow such a license to be transferred out of the area within the 46th Legislative District into any other area of Ward 24, Precinct 5.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

5. Senate Bill 1103 – Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore City – Class C licenses

- (1) Authorizes the board to issue a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in Ward 5, Precinct 1 of the 44th Alcoholic Beverages District.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

6. Senate Bill 546 – House Bill 208 – Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore County – Refillable Containers

- (1) These identical bills standardize the requirements for alcoholic beverages refillable containers used in the sale of draft beer, craft beer, or wine for off premises consumption.
- (2) This bill authorizes the board to issue a refillable container permit to sell draft beer in refillable containers for consumption off the licensed premises to a holder of a Class A, Class B, or Class D license.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014.

7. Senate Bill 496 – Alcoholic Beverages – Calvert County - Organizational Licenses

- (1) This bill authorizes the board to issue an organizational license to a fraternal organization, volunteer fire department, or volunteer rescue squad for use on the premises that the organization, fire department, or rescue squad owns or regularly uses to hold functions.
- (2) A licensee may sell beer, wine, and liquor by the drink for consumption.

- (3) The annual fee is \$500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

8. Senate Bill 495 – Alcoholic Beverages – Calvert County – Premises Inspection and Penalties

- (1) This bill authorizes the board, or its designee to inspect each licensed premises in the county every six months, rather than the previous rule of inspection every three months.
- (2) The board may suspend an alcoholic beverages license for any alcoholic beverages violation and impose a fine of up to \$1,000 for a violation of State law or \$500 for a violation of the rules and regulations of the board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

9. Senate Bill 548 – Alcoholic Beverages – Calvert County – Special Event Permit

- (1) This bill authorizes the board to issue a Special Event (festival) beer, wine, and liquor (on-sale) permit to a Class B or Class D license holder.
- (2) The applicant must demonstrate a reasonable expectation of attracting at least 500 patrons to the special event and commit to provide additional security personnel at the event for traffic, parking, and patrol purposes as required.
- (3) The permit fee is \$500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

10. Senate Bill 340 – Alcoholic Beverages – Calvert County – Unlicensed Establishments

- (1) This bill prohibits an establishment that is not licensed by the board from giving, serving, dispensing, keeping, or allowing to be consumed on its premises, or on premises under its control or possession, any alcoholic beverages.
- (2) However, a volunteer fire department, rescue squad, or emergency medical services organization may conduct no more than four events annually on their premises or premises under their control or possession to which individuals may bring and consume alcoholic beverages.
- (3) A violator is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to maximum penalties of two years imprisonment and/or a fine of \$10,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

11. Senate Bill 341 – House Bill 1079 – Alcoholic Beverages – Calvert County – Refillable Containers

- (1) Authorizes the board to issue a refillable container permit to a holder of a Class A, Class B, or Class D alcoholic beverages license.
- (2) A refillable container permit entitles the holder to sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a refillable container with a capacity of not less than 32 ounces and not more than 128 ounces.

- (3) A refillable container permit applicant must complete the form that the board provides and pay an annual permit fee of \$50 if the applicant already has an off-sale privilege or \$500 if the applicant does not have an off-sale privilege.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

12. Senate Bill 764 – Alcoholic Beverages – Caroline County – Volunteer Fire Companies

- (1) Authorizes Caroline County volunteer fire companies to store alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises in between licensed events if the alcoholic beverages are in a specially identified locked and secured location and are not sold or consumed except during licensed event hours for licensed event purposes.
- (2) A license holder who violates this provision is subject to a \$100 fine for the first offense, and \$500 for subsequent offenses and denial of future requests for a license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

13. Senate Bill 560 – House Bill 156 – Alcoholic Beverages – Carroll County – License Fee Increases

- (1) This bill authorizes phase in increases in license fees for alcoholic beverages in Carroll County.
- (2) The fee increases are phased in from fiscal year 2015 through 2018.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

14. House Bill 300 – Alcoholic Beverages – Charles County – Alcoholic Beverage Licenses

- (1) This bill increases the minimum distance restriction in Charles County so that a license to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption off premises may not be granted in any building which is within 1,000 feet, rather than 500 feet, of the property of any school.
- (2) The existing 500-foot restriction remains with respect to a license to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises.

EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT.

15. House Bill 248 – Alcoholic Beverages – Charles County – Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses

- (1) This bill increases various Class B alcoholic beverages licenses fees in Charles County by restructuring the county's existing Class B alcoholic beverages licensing scheme and instituting extra fees for additional license privileges.
- (2) The bill also renames a Class BLX license to a Class B-BLX (luxury restaurant) on-sale beer, wine and liquor license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

16. House Bill 419 – Alcoholic Beverages – Charles County – Population Quota in Sixth Election District

- (1) This bill specifies that the board may use the resident population figures of the last federal census when determining the number of off-sale alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued within each election district.
- (2) Additionally, the bill authorizes the board to issue in the 6th election district one alcoholic beverages license with an off-sale privilege per every unit of 2,700 people based on the resident population figures of the last federal census.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

17. Senate Bill 60 – House Bill 167 – Alcoholic Beverages – Dorchester County – Sunday Sales

- (1) These identical bills authorize Class B (off-sale) beer and light wine licensees to sell beer and light wine on Sunday from 10 a.m. to midnight.
- (2) Moreover, the bills expand the hours for sale of beer and light wine under a Class B (on-sale) beer and light wine license on Sunday from 10 a.m. to midnight.
- (3) If Christmas Eve or New Year’s Eve is on a Sunday, beer and light wine may be sold both on and off premises from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

18. Senate Bill 619 – House Bill 433 – Alcoholic Beverages – Frederick County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2014

- (1) These bills authorize the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners to issue a license for the sale of beer, wine, and liquor for consumption on the premises only to an organization located in the county that is a bona fide religious, fraternal, civic, war veterans’, or patriotic organization.
- (2) All net proceeds from the sale of alcoholic beverages must be used solely for charitable purposes or to further the purposes of the organization.
- (3) The bills also allow all of the bottles in a wine preservation system that the board approves to be opened at a wine sampling or tasting event in the county.
- (4) No more than six other bottles of wine may be opened by a holder of a solicitor’s permit, the holder of the beer and wine sampling or tasting license, or an employee of the license holder.
- (5) A single individual may not consume more than six ounces of wine from all brands in a single day.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

19. Senate Bill 618 – House Bill 472 – Alcoholic Beverages – Frederick County – Country Inn Licenses

- (1) These identical bills authorize the board to issue a Class B-CI (country inn) on-sale beer, wine, and liquor license for the use of an establishment that meets specified requirements in the Burkittsville (twenty-second) election district.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

20. House Bill 337 – Alcoholic Beverages – Frederick County – Farm Breweries

- (1) Is a statewide bill that authorizes a holder of a Class 8 farm brewery license to obtain a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license. In Frederick County, the bill removes the prohibition on the issuance of a license for the sale of alcoholic beverages for any place of business located within the following election districts if the business is a holder of a Class 8 farm brewery license: Catoctin (6th), Hauvers (10th), Jackson (16th); Linganore (19th), and Ballenger (23rd).

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

21. Senate Bill 420 – Alcoholic Beverages – Garrett County – Beer Festival Licenses

- (1) This bill alters beer festival licenses in Garrett County so that the holder of a beer festival license may display and sell at retail beer that was manufactured and processed in any state.
- (2) This bill also adds a Class 8 farm brewery license holder to the list of applicants eligible for a beer festival license in Garrett County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

22. House Bill 1097 – Alcoholic Beverages – Garrett County – Qualified Voters for Sunday Sales

- (1) The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners must provide the Department of Legislative Services, by December 1, 2014, a complete list of election districts and precincts in Garrett County in which Sunday sales of alcoholic beverages are authorized.
- (2) Those districts and precincts must then be listed in a specified location in the Annotated Code of Maryland.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

23. House Bill 836 – Alcoholic Beverages – Class A2 Light Wine Licenses

- (1) This bill repeals the ability of the board to issue Class A2 Light Wine licenses since it is no longer needed and its privileges are available under the State Class 4 Limited Winery License issued by the Comptroller.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

24. Senate Bill 552 – Alcoholic Beverages – Harford County - Class H-CC Beer, Wine, and Liquor License

- (1) This bill eliminates the requirements that a Class H-CC (corporate club/conference center) license only be used by a private club of at least 25 members who pay an annual membership fee and may not be used for any purpose other than for the benefit of the club.
- (2) A Class H-CC license may keep for sale and sell beer, wine, and liquor.

- (3) The holder of a Class H-CC license may hold no more than four, instead of one, self-sponsored events per year in the banquet, conference, or meeting room.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

25. House Bill 1170 – Alcoholic Beverages – Harford County – Residency Requirements

- (1) This bill specifies that an applicant for a Class B restaurant or Class D tavern license who is acting on behalf of a business entity, must be a resident of the State for at least one year before filing the application, must remain a resident as long as the license is in effect, and must reside within a 100-mile radius of the Town of Bel Air.
- (2) Furthermore, one of the applicants, regardless of the type of business entity, must be a responsible operator of the licensed establishment who has been a resident of the State for at least one year and remains a resident as long as the license is in effect and must reside within a 100 mile radius of the Town of Bel Air.
- (3) A responsible operator must own at least 25% of the total business, except for an applicant for a Class B license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

26. Senate Bill 1112 – Alcoholic Beverages – Howard County – Population Restrictions on Class A Licenses

- (1) This bill limits the number of Class A alcoholic beverage licenses of any type that can be issued by the board to one license for every 4,000 Howard County residents, as determined by the latest federal census.
- (2) However, the limitation does not apply to a license issued for use in an existing shopping center or a proposed shopping center development for which a building permit has been issued that contains 200,000 or more square feet of commercial retail space.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

27. House Bill 1091 – Alcoholic Beverages – Howard County – Beer Festivals

- (1) This bill authorizes the board to issue a special beer festival license to the holder of a current retail alcoholic beverages license issued in the State, a State Class 5 Brewery License, a State Class 7 micro-brewery license, or a State Class 8 farm brewery license.
- (2) The holder of a special beer festival license may display and sell at retail beer for consumption on or off the licensed premises on festival days and hours.
- (3) The license fee is \$50 for a one- or two-day festival.
- (4) The board must approve one weekend at an unlicensed premises in Howard County for the special beer festival.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

28. Senate Bill 49 – House Bill 226 – Alcoholic Beverages – Kent County – Kent County Alcoholic Beverages Act 2014

- (1) These identical bills authorize the Board of License Commissioners to issue a beer or wine tasting (BWT) license to a holder of a Class A beer and wine license or a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license.
- (2) Additionally, the inspector employed by the board may serve summonses and issue citations for specified alcohol related crimes in Kent County.
- (3) The BWT license allows the licensee to serve, for tasting purposes only, samples of up to two ounces of wine from a given brand and four ounces from all brands and up to two ounces of beer from a given brand and six ounces from all brands to any one person in a single day for on-premises consumption.
- (4) The annual BWT license fee is \$200.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

29. House Bill 137 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Beauty Salon License

- (1) This bill authorizes the Board of License Commissioners to issue a special beauty salon beer and wine license to a holder of a beauty salon permit.
- (2) The annual fee for the license is \$100.
- (3) The license authorizes the licensee to provide no more than five ounces of beer or wine by the glass for on-premises consumption by a beauty salon customer during specified cosmetology services and permitted fund raising events.
- (4) The license may not be transferred to another location.
- (5) Beer and wine may be provided during normal business hours but no later than 9 p.m. each night.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

30. Senate Bill 305 – House Bill 132 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Beer Sales and Delivery to Retail Dealers

- (1) These bills authorize a holder of a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license or a nonresident brewery permit to sell or deliver its own beer to a county liquor dispensary, a restaurant, or any other retail dealer in Montgomery County.
- (2) These bills also authorize a county liquor dispensary, a restaurant, or any other retail dealer in Montgomery County to purchase beer directly from a holder of a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license or of a nonresident brewery permit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

31. Senate Bill 657 – House Bill 463 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses

- (1) These bills allow the board to issue a Class D beer, wine, and liquor licenses for on-premises consumption. The annual fee is \$3,000.
- (2) The bills establish provisions relating to license requirements and inspections of licensed establishments.

- (3) The bills also extend the time of day that holders of a Class B-BWL and B-BWL (H-M) licenses may sell alcoholic beverages.
- (4) To obtain a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license, the owner must attest in a sworn statement that gross receipts from food sales in the establishment will be at least 40% of the total of all gross receipts.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

32. Senate Bill 459 – House Bill 269 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Clubhouse/Lodge Licenses

- (1) The board may issue a Class B-BWL (Clubhouse/Lodge) license to the Executive Director of the Montgomery County Revenue Authority, or the Executive Director's designee, for use by a multi-use facility that accommodates a golf course, a restaurant, a clubhouse, a tasting bar, and the catering of events anywhere on the property.
- (2) The holder of this license is not required to be located in any specified geographic location and is not required to maintain any alcohol sales to food sales ratio.
- (3) The annual fee is \$1,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

33. Senate Bill 311 – House Bill 146 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Community Performing Arts Facility Special BWL License

- (1) Under the bills, a "community performing arts facility" is any facility used for shows, live performances, theater productions, art classes, exhibits, visual art shows, weddings, banquets, and community related activities.
- (2) These bills allow the board to issue a Special BWL Community Performing Arts Facility alcoholic beverage license with an annual fee of \$750.
- (3) To qualify for the license, the performing arts facility must have a capacity of at least 200 but no more than 1,499 people.
- (4) The licensee may sell alcoholic beverages by the drink for consumption on the premises during the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day.
- (5) Food must be served or provided during the hours in which alcoholic beverages are sold or consumed.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

34. Senate Bill 298 – House Bill 136 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Beer Festivals

- (1) These bills authorize the county to conduct the Montgomery County Beer Festival through a "festival organization" to be selected by the county.
- (2) The festival is to be held no more than four weekends per year and is to be conducted under the supervision of the Montgomery County Department of Liquor Control.
- (3) The license fee is \$30 per day.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

35. Senate Bill 310 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Microbrewery Licenses, Class D Beer, and Light Wine Licenses

- (1) This bill authorizes the holder of a Class D beer and light wine license in Montgomery County to be issued a Class 7 micro-brewery license by the Comptroller.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

36. Senate Bill 300 – House Bill 142 – Alcoholic Beverages – Montgomery County – Proportion of Food and Alcoholic Beverage Sales

- (1) These bills decrease, from 50 to 40%, the minimum ratio of food sales to food and alcoholic beverage sales combined that restaurants and hotels must maintain in order to obtain or renew a Class B beer, wine and liquor license in Montgomery County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

37. Senate Bill 302 – House Bill 131 – Alcoholic Beverages – City of Takoma Park

- (1) These bills repeal the June 30, 2014 termination date of Chapter 390 of 2012, which provided an off-sale privilege for Class B beer and light wine licenses issued for hotels and restaurants in the City of Takoma Park.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

38. House Bill 135 – Alcoholic Beverages – Town of Kensington

- (1) This bill authorizes the board to issue a special B-K alcoholic beverage license to a restaurant located at the East side of Connecticut Avenue between Warner Street and Knowles Avenue in the Town of Kensington.
- (2) The holder of the license may not serve alcoholic beverages after 11 p.m.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

39. Senate Bill 250 – House Bill 287 – Alcoholic Beverages – Somerset County – Class 7 Micro-Brewery License

- (1) These bills add Somerset County to the list of jurisdictions in which a Class 7 micro-brewery license may be issued.
- (2) The license may be issued to a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor (on-sale) license for use on the premises of a restaurant.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

40. Senate Bill 692 – House Bill 332 – Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Restaurant Seating Capacity

- (1) These bills reduce the seating capacity in the definition of a restaurant in Washington County from 75 to 50 persons for a Class P alcoholic beverages (on-sale) license.
- (2) These bills also exclude Class P licenses from being factored in calculating Washington County’s “population ration quota” for alcoholic beverage licenses.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

41. Senate Bill 1079 – Alcoholic Beverages – Worcester County – Class D License

- (1) This bill authorizes the board to issue a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license within the corporate limits of the towns of Berlin and Snow Hill.

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