

HOUSE BILL 1059

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By: **Harford County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2023

Assigned to: Economic Matters

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Performing Arts Theater License**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing in Harford County a performing arts theater beer and wine
4 license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer and wine in certain performing
5 arts theaters at retail for on–premises consumption; and generally relating to
6 alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County.

7 BY renumbering

8 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

9 Section 22–1005.2

10 to be Section 22–1005.3

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

14 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

15 Section 22–102

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

18 BY adding to

19 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

20 Section 22–1005.2

21 Annotated Code of Maryland

22 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
2 That Section(s) 22-1005.2 of Article – Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated Code of
3 Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 22-1005.3.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
5 as follows:

6 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

7 22-102.

8 This title applies only in Harford County.

9 **22-1005.2.**

10 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “PERFORMING ARTS THEATER” MEANS AN AREA, A
11 BUILDING, OR A STRUCTURE DESIGNED AND USED FOR PLAYS, ACTS, DRAMAS,
12 CONCERTS, OR HISTRIONICS BY ACTORS OR ACTRESSES PERFORMING ON A STAGE
13 OR THE SHOWING OF MOVIES OR FILMS.

14 (B) THERE IS A PERFORMING ARTS THEATER BEER AND WINE LICENSE.

15 (C) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE THE LICENSE FOR USE ON THE PREMISES OF A
16 PERFORMING ARTS THEATER OPERATED BY A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.

17 (D) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO SELL OR SERVE BEER AND
18 WINE AT RETAIL FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

19 (E) THE LICENSE HOLDER MAY SELL OR SERVE BEER AND WINE:

20 (1) 1 HOUR BEFORE AND AFTER A PERFORMANCE;

21 (2) DURING A PERFORMANCE;

22 (3) DURING AN INTERMISSION; AND

23 (4) DURING A RECEPTION 1 HOUR BEFORE OR 1 HOUR AFTER A
24 PERFORMANCE.

25 (F) THE LICENSE MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER LOCATION.

26 (G) THE LICENSE HOLDER SHALL PURCHASE BEER AND WINE FROM A
27 ~~RETAIL LICENSE HOLDER OR~~ AN AUTHORIZED AND LICENSED WHOLESALER ~~OR~~
28 ~~MANUFACTURER.~~

1 **(H) ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE**
2 **BOARD FROM ISSUING A CLASS C PER DIEM LICENSE THAT APPLIES TO THE**
3 **PERFORMING ARTS THEATER.**

4 **(I) THE LICENSE HOLDER SHALL SERVE OR OFFER FOR SALE SNACKS AT**
5 **ALL TIMES WHEN BEER AND WINE ARE SOLD.**

6 **(J) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$500.**

7 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
8 1, 2023.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.