

SENATE BILL 38

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By: **Senator Mathias**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – ~~Veterans’ License – Fee Class C~~**
3 **Licenses – Clubs**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~altering the annual fee for a seven-day veterans’~~ repealing a certain
5 requirement relating to the daily average receipts from the sale of food needed for a
6 club to qualify for a certain seven-day license in Worcester County; and generally
7 relating to alcoholic beverages in Worcester County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 6-301(y)(1)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
15 Section ~~6-301(y)(2) and (4)~~ 6-301(y)(9)(i)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

20 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

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 6-301.

2 (y) (1) This subsection applies only in Worcester County.

3 ~~(2) (i) The annual license fee for a six-day license is \$500; and~~

4 ~~(ii) [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4)(III) OF THIS~~
 5 ~~SUBSECTION, THE annual license fee for a seven-day license is \$750.~~

6 ~~(4) (i) There is a veterans' license.~~

7 ~~(ii) The license may be issued to any local unit of a nationwide bona~~
 8 ~~fide nonprofit organization or club composed solely of members who served in the armed~~
 9 ~~forces of the United States in any war in which the United States has engaged which:~~

10 ~~1. Has held a charter from a national veterans' organization~~
 11 ~~for a period of not less than 5 years prior to the time of making application for the license;~~

12 ~~2. Has a bona fide membership of not less than 15 persons~~
 13 ~~and dues of not less than \$5 per year per person;~~

14 ~~3. Operates solely for the use of its own members and their~~
 15 ~~guests when accompanied by members; and~~

16 ~~4. Meets in a clubhouse principally used for no other purpose.~~

17 ~~(III) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR A SEVEN-DAY VETERANS'~~
 18 ~~LICENSE IS \$500.~~

19 (9) (i) For the purpose of qualifying for a seven-day license, clubs
 20 defined in this subsection shall:

21 1. Have an enclosed dining area that has a seating capacity
 22 for 60 or more persons; AND

23 2. Serve full-course meals from menus at least twice daily[;
 24 and

25 3. During the effective period of the license have daily
 26 average receipts from the sale of food in excess of those for the sale of alcoholic beverages].

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
 28 1, 2015.