

SENATE BILL 68

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CF HB 205

By: **Senators Glassman, Jacobs, and Jennings**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wine Festival License**

3 FOR the purpose of removing a certain requirement that wine festivals in Harford
4 County be held at a certain time, during certain months, and not conflict with
5 other certain wine festivals; and generally relating to wine festival licenses in
6 Harford County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
9 Section 8–309
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2011 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

15 8–309.

16 (a) The Harford County Liquor Control Board may issue a special wine
17 festival (WF) license.

18 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, an applicant for a
19 special WF license shall be a holder of an existing State retail 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 license, State Class 3 winery license, or State Class 4 winery license issued pursuant
2 to this article.

3 (c) A special WF licensee shall only display and sell wine that is produced
4 and processed in Maryland.

5 (d) A special WF license entitles the holder to display and sell at retail wine
6 for consumption on or off the licensed premises on the days and for the hours
7 designated for the wine festival in Harford County.

8 (e) The license fee is \$20.

9 (f) The provisions of this section may not prohibit the licensee from holding
10 another alcoholic beverages license of a different class or nature.

11 (g) The Harford County Liquor Control Board[:

12 (1) May select 1 weekend annually during the months of June, July,
13 August, or September for the wine festival that does not conflict with the Anne
14 Arundel County Beer and Wine Festival, the Cumberland and Shenandoah Valley
15 Wine Festival, or the Maryland Wine Festival; and

16 (2) Shall] **SHALL** choose a location in Harford County for this festival
17 which does not hold an alcoholic beverages license.

18 (h) The Harford County Liquor Control Board shall adopt regulations for
19 implementing this section.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
21 July 1, 2012.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.