

# SENATE BILL 765

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By: **Senator Carter (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

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Assigned to: Finance

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Class A–7 Beer, Wine, and Liquor**  
3 **License**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to  
5 exchange a Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area for a Class  
6 A–7 beer, wine, and liquor license under certain circumstances for a certain period  
7 of time; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages for Baltimore City.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
10 Section 12–102  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
15 Section 12–902.1  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

21 12–102.

22 This title applies only in Baltimore City.

23 12–902.1.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) This section does not apply in the 43rd legislative district.

2 (b) There is a Class A-7 beer, wine, and liquor license.

3 (c) The license authorizes the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor at retail  
4 at the place described in the license, for off-premises consumption.

5 (d) (1) Subject to [paragraph] PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3) of this subsection, a  
6 license holder who holds a valid Class B-D-7 beer, wine, and liquor license issued on or  
7 before July 1, 2018, may apply to the Board to exchange the license for a Class A-7 license  
8 if the license holder first obtains approval by resolution of the Baltimore City Council.

9 (2) **NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A**  
10 **LICENSE HOLDER WHO HOLDS A VALID CLASS B-D-7 BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR**  
11 **LICENSE FOR PREMISES LOCATED ON THE ODD SIDE OF THE 4000 BLOCK OF**  
12 **FREDERICK AVENUE MAY APPLY TO THE BOARD TO EXCHANGE THE LICENSE FOR A**  
13 **CLASS A-7 LICENSE.**

14 (3) The Board may not issue a Class A-7 license on or after July 1, 2022.

15 (e) A holder of a Class A-7 license may sell beer, wine, and liquor on Monday  
16 through Sunday from 10 a.m. to midnight.

17 (f) The annual license fee is \$1,500.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
19 1, 2023. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2024, this  
20 Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no  
21 further force and effect.