

# SENATE BILL 932

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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Senator Miller**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Event License**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a Special Event (SE) beer, wine and liquor license in  
4 Calvert County; specifying that the license entitles the holder to sell beer, wine,  
5 and liquor for consumption on the licensed premises; requiring that an  
6 applicant for the license first obtain approval of the Board for certain items;  
7 specifying that an SE license may be valid for 1 or more days; authorizing the  
8 Board to approve multiple venues where alcoholic beverages may be sold on the  
9 licensed premises; authorizing the Board to require an applicant for the license  
10 to provide certain security measures; providing certain license fees; requiring  
11 the Board to determine the number of licenses a single applicant may be issued  
12 in a year; specifying that this Act does not prohibit the license holder from  
13 holding another alcoholic beverages license; authorizing the Board to adopt  
14 certain regulations; defining certain terms; making this Act an emergency  
15 measure; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

16 BY adding to

17 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

18 Section 7–102

19 Annotated Code of Maryland

20 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

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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                                   **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

2   **7-102.**

3           **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE**  
4 **MEANINGS INDICATED.**

5                   **(2) “BOARD” MEANS THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**  
6 **FOR CALVERT COUNTY.**

7                   **(3) “SPECIAL EVENT” MEANS AN EVENT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC,**  
8 **INCLUDING A CONCERT, A FUNDRAISER FOR A CHARITY, A HOLIDAY**  
9 **CELEBRATION, A PUBLIC PARTY OR GATHERING, A LOCAL BUSINESS OPENING**  
10 **OR CLOSING, A BALL, A GALA, AND AN ETHNIC FESTIVAL.**

11           **(B) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN CALVERT COUNTY.**

12           **(C) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A SPECIAL EVENT (SE) BEER, WINE AND**  
13 **LIQUOR LICENSE.**

14           **(D) (1) AN SE LICENSE ENTITLES THE HOLDER TO SELL BEER, WINE,**  
15 **AND LIQUOR FOR CONSUMPTION ANYWHERE ON THE LICENSED PREMISES,**  
16 **INCLUDING ANY PARKING LOT, BUILDING, STRUCTURE, OR OTHER AREA WHERE**  
17 **THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND.**

18                   **(2) TO BE ISSUED AN SE LICENSE, AN APPLICANT SHALL FIRST**  
19 **OBTAIN THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD FOR:**

20                           **(I) THE TIME AND LOCATION OF THE EVENT FOR WHICH**  
21 **THE LICENSE IS TO BE ISSUED;**

22                           **(II) THE LOCATION OR LOCATIONS ON THE EVENT SITE**  
23 **WHERE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE TO BE SOLD AND CONSUMED; AND**

24                           **(III) THE TIMES WHEN THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY BE**  
25 **SOLD.**

26           **(3) AN SE LICENSE MAY BE VALID FOR 1 OR MORE DAYS.**

27           **(4) ON REQUEST, THE BOARD MAY APPROVE MULTIPLE VENUES,**  
28 **INCLUDING BARS, PORTABLE CARTS, AND OTHER STRUCTURES WHERE**  
29 **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY BE SOLD ON THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

1 (E) THE BOARD MAY REQUIRE THAT AN APPLICANT FOR THE SE  
2 LICENSE PROVIDE SPECIFIC SECURITY MEASURES TO ENSURE THE PEACE AND  
3 SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC ON THE PREMISES FOR WHICH THE LICENSE IS SOUGHT.

4 (F) THE SE LICENSE FEE IS:

5 (1) \$500, IF THE EVENT IS PREDOMINANTLY FOR A COMMERCIAL  
6 PURPOSE; OR

7 (2) \$25, IF THE EVENT IS PREDOMINANTLY FOR A CHARITABLE  
8 PURPOSE.

9 (G) THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SE LICENSES A  
10 SINGLE APPLICANT MAY BE ISSUED IN A YEAR.

11 (H) THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE LICENSE HOLDER FROM  
12 HOLDING ANOTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE OF A DIFFERENT CLASS  
13 OR NATURE.

14 (I) THE BOARD MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS  
15 SECTION.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect~~  
17 ~~October 1, 2011~~ is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation  
18 of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by  
19 three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General  
20 Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.