

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 6-703.1 of Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 6-703.2.

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

6-703.1.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN FREDERICK COUNTY.

(B) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ISSUE A CATERER'S LICENSE TO A HOLDER OF A CLASS B RESTAURANT OR HOTEL (ON-SALE) BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

(C) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$1,500.

(D) A CATERER'S LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO PROVIDE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT PUBLICLY OR PRIVATELY SPONSORED EVENTS THAT ARE HELD OFF THE PREMISES THAT IS COVERED BY THE CLASS B RESTAURANT OR HOTEL (ON-SALE) LICENSE.

(E) (1) THE HOLDER OF A CATERER'S LICENSE SHALL PREPARE, DELIVER, AND PROVIDE FOOD AS WELL AS PROVIDE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR CONSUMPTION AT THE CATERED EVENT.

(2) THE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE THE FACILITIES THAT PREPARE THE FOOD BEFORE THE LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED, REISSUED, OR RENEWED.

(F) (1) THE HOLDER OF A CATERER'S LICENSE SHALL PROVIDE ALL SERVICE EMPLOYEES TO SERVE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE CATERED EVENT.

(2) AT LEAST ONE EMPLOYEE SHALL HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED BY AN ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM AND SHALL BE ON THE PREMISES AT ALL TIMES DURING THE CATERED EVENT.

(G) AFTER THE EVENT, ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SHALL REMAIN IN POSSESSION OF THE HOLDER OF THE CATERER'S LICENSE AND BE RETURNED TO THE PREMISES COVERED BY THE CLASS B RESTAURANT OR HOTEL LICENSE.

(H) THE HOLDER OF A CATERER'S LICENSE MAY EXERCISE THE PRIVILEGES UNDER THE LICENSE ONLY DURING THE HOURS AND DAYS THAT ARE PERMITTED IN THIS ARTICLE FOR A CLASS B RESTAURANT OR HOTEL (ON-SALE) BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

(I) THIS SECTION DOES NOT REQUIRE A HOLDER OF AN EXISTING CLASS B (ON-SALE) BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE TO HOLD A CATERER'S LICENSE FOR CATERING ON THE PREMISES THAT IS COVERED BY THE EXISTING LICENSE.