

HOUSE BILL 1366

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By: **Delegates Barkley, Branch, Brooks, Davis, Frick, Lisanti, Mautz, and Waldstreicher**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Issuance of Class A Licenses**

3 FOR the purpose of clarifying that, with a certain exception, not more than one license may
4 be issued in a single jurisdiction to an individual; increasing, subject to certain
5 conditions, the number of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued in
6 the State to an individual for a certain use; and generally relating to Class A alcoholic
7 beverages licenses in the State.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

10 Section 4–203

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (As enacted by Chapter ___ (S.B. ___)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of
13 2016)

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

16 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

17 4–203.

18 (a) Except as otherwise provided in Division II of this article or Title 3, Title 4, or
19 Title 5 of this division, more than one license may not be issued **IN A SINGLE**
20 **JURISDICTION:**

21 (1) to an individual; or

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) for the use of a partnership, a corporation, an unincorporated
2 association, or a limited liability company.

3 (b) Except as otherwise provided in Division II of this article or Title 3, Title 4, or
4 Title 5 of this division, an individual may not be issued in the State more than one [Class
5 A,] Class C[,] or Class D license for the use of:

6 (1) that individual; or

7 (2) a partnership, a corporation, an unincorporated association, or a
8 limited liability company.

9 (c) **(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,
10 AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT BE ISSUED IN THE STATE MORE THAN TWO CLASS A
11 LICENSES FOR THE USE OF:**

12 **(I) THAT INDIVIDUAL; OR**

13 **(II) A PARTNERSHIP, A CORPORATION, AN UNINCORPORATED
14 ASSOCIATION, OR A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.**

15 **(2) NOT MORE THAN ONE CLASS A LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED UNDER
16 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION FOR AN ESTABLISHMENT THAT DERIVES LESS
17 THAN 85% OF REVENUE FROM THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.**

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
19 1, 2016.