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Approved April 23, 1971.

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CHAPTER 170

(House Bill 840)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 20 (h-3) of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Alcoholic Beverages," subtitle "Beer, Wine and Liquor Licenses," establishing a new Class C beer, wine and liquor license in Howard County for conference centers; making provisions for the conditions for issuance of this license and establishing the licensing fee.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 20(h-3) of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Alcoholic Beverages," subtitle "Beer, Wine and Liquor Licenses," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

(h-3) In Howard County such a license may be issued to a country club or to the owner or owners thereof, regardless of whether said club is operated for profit or not, but provided that said club has a bona fide annual limited membership and which shall have at the time of issuance of the license a regular or championship golf course adjacent to the premises for which a license is sought of eighteen holes and other club facilities. The annual fee for such a license shall be fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500). In Howard County, such a license may be issued to a club composed exclusively of members who served in the armed forces of the United States, which is affiliated with a national organization, and having seventy-five or more bona fide members paying such dues as required by its national organization the year immediately preceding the year for which such license is issued. At least seventy-five percent (75%) of the members of such club shall have resided in Howard County for at least two years immediately preceding the date of application for said license and said club shall have maintained a post in said county for at least three years preceding the date of said application. The annual fee for such a license shall be two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). *In Howard County such a license may be issued to a conference center or to the owner or owners thereof, whether or not operated for profit, having not less than seven thousand (7,000) square feet of conference area with accommodations, equipment, and facilities designed for holding meetings, seminars and conferences. The annual fee for such a license shall be ~~one thousand (\$1,000.00)~~ SEVEN HUNDRED (\$700.00) dollars.*

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