

(House Bill 1415)

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County - Alcoholic Beverages
MC 24-75

FOR the purpose of [[allowing certain cocktail lounges in certain restaurant or hotel dining areas in Montgomery County; allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages at any bar or counter; amending the restriction on certain visible signs; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Montgomery County.]] providing that in Montgomery County the dining area in a restaurant or hotel holding a Class B Beer, Wine and Liquor License may include a cocktail lounge where food need not be served provided there is no separate outdoor entrance to that cocktail lounge; removing the restriction on the sale of alcoholic beverages at certain counters; amending the restriction on signs visible from the exterior of the building advertising the sale of alcoholic beverages; and correcting language.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
Section 19(h-1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1968 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 19(h-1) of Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

19.

(h-1) In Montgomery County such a license shall be issued by the clerk, upon the advice and approval of the board of license commissioners, only to the owner of any restaurant or hotel, having a minimum dining area of 1,000 square feet located in the third, fourth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, or thirteenth election districts of said county except in the towns of Poolesville, Takoma Park and Kensington. As a prerequisite for the initial issuance of a license under this subsection, the owner must attest in a sworn statement that gross receipts from