

licensee from holding another alcoholic beverages license of a different class or nature; defining a certain term; and generally relating to special beer festival licenses in Carroll County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–805

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

8–805.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “BOARD” MEANS THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR CARROLL COUNTY.

(B) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A SPECIAL BEER FESTIVAL LICENSE.

(C) A SPECIAL BEER FESTIVAL LICENSE ENTITLES THE HOLDER TO DISPLAY AND SELL AT RETAIL BEER FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR OFF THE LICENSED PREMISES ON THE DAYS AND FOR THE HOURS DESIGNATED FOR THE SPECIAL BEER FESTIVAL IN CARROLL COUNTY.

(D) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, AN APPLICANT FOR A SPECIAL BEER FESTIVAL LICENSE SHALL BE THE HOLDER OF A CURRENT RETAIL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE ISSUED IN THE STATE, A CLASS 5 BREWERY LICENSE, OR A CLASS 7 MICRO-BREWERY LICENSE.

(E) THE LICENSE FEE IS \$200 FOR A ONE-DAY OR TWO-DAY FESTIVAL.

(F) THE BOARD SHALL:

(1) APPROVE ONE WEEKEND FOR THE SPECIAL BEER FESTIVAL THAT DOES NOT FALL ON THE DATES CHOSEN FOR THE CUMBERLAND AND SHENANDOAH VALLEY WINE FESTIVAL IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, OR THE MARYLAND WINE FESTIVAL IN CARROLL COUNTY, OR THE ANNE ARUNDEL BEER AND WINE FESTIVAL;

(2) APPROVE A NONLICENSED PREMISES IN CARROLL COUNTY FOR THE SPECIAL BEER FESTIVAL; AND

(3) ENSURE THAT THE PRIMARY FOCUS OF THE SPECIAL BEER FESTIVAL IS THE PROMOTION OF MARYLAND BEER.

(G) THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE LICENSEE FROM HOLDING ANOTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE OF A DIFFERENT CLASS OR NATURE.

(H) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.