

privilege; requiring a licensee who holds a caterer privilege to have certain facilities; providing that a caterer privilege is incorporated into the existing license; establishing a certain annual fee for a caterer privilege; providing for renewal of a caterer privilege; defining a certain term; and generally relating to adding a certain caterer privilege to certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6-701.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

6-701.1.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN BALTIMORE CITY.

(B) IN THIS SECTION, "CATERER" MEANS ANY BEER AND WINE OR BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSEE WHO CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE FOOD AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO SPONSORS OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE EVENTS HELD OFF THE LICENSED PREMISES.

(C) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY ADD A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING A LICENSEE TO BE A CATERER.

(D) A LICENSEE WHO HOLDS THE SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE MAY CONTRACT TO PROVIDE FOOD AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR CONSUMPTION AT A CATERED EVENT.

(E) THE LICENSEE MAY EXERCISE THE SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE ONLY DURING THE HOURS AND DAYS THAT ARE PERMITTED UNDER THIS ARTICLE FOR THE EXISTING BEER AND WINE OR BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

(F) (1) A LICENSEE WHO HOLDS A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE SHALL HAVE THE FACILITIES TO PREPARE AND DELIVER FOOD TO THE SITE OF THE CATERED EVENT.

(2) THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE THE FOOD PREPARATION FACILITIES AND ISSUE A CATERER'S LICENSE BEFORE THE BOARD ADDS OR RENEWS A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE.

(G) A SPECIAL OFF-SALE CATERER PRIVILEGE IS NOT A SEPARATE CLASS OF LICENSE AND, IF IT IS GRANTED, THE PRIVILEGE IS INCORPORATED WITHIN THE EXISTING ON-SALE BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE.