

Senate Bill No. 447

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Caterers

FOR the purpose of authorizing persons ~~who~~ that are licensed as caterers in Harford County to provide food and keep and sell at retail alcoholic beverages for their own events on their own premises consumption only on the premises of the caterer at a self-sponsored event held once during a calendar year on a day selected by the caterer; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to licensed caterers in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, ~~with~~ without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6-704(a) ~~and (b)~~

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

6-704.

(a) (1) This section applies only in Harford County.

(2) The annual license fee is \$750, which shall be paid to the Board before the license is issued and which shall be distributed as provided.

(3) In this section, "caterer" means an establishment that:

(H) ~~owns~~ ~~owns~~ or leases 1 or more banquet rooms suitable for public gatherings, with food preparation facilities on the premises~~;~~ ~~AND~~

(H) ~~[which] PROVIDES FOOD AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ITS OWN EVENTS OR~~ contracts to provide food and alcoholic beverages to sponsors of public or private events.

(b) (1) A Class H beer, wine and liquor license may be issued upon the approval of the Liquor Control Board and authorizes the owner or operator of a catering establishment to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail at the premises described therein for consumption on the premises during the catered event.