

**Senate Bill No. 258**

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County - Alcoholic Beverages - Multiple Licenses**

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision that prohibits the Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners from issuing alcoholic beverages licenses, other than certain licenses, to certain restaurant franchisees; establishing that certain Class B alcoholic beverages licensees are eligible for certain additional licenses under certain circumstances; establishing that holders of certain Class B or Class H alcoholic beverages licenses that apply to restaurants located in certain areas are eligible for certain additional licenses; clarifying that a franchisor may not have certain interests in more than a certain number of certain licenses; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations to define a certain term; and generally relating to the issuance of multiple alcoholic beverages licenses in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9-102(h-1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume)

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

**Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

9-102.

(h-1)(1) A IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, A current holder of a Class H alcoholic beverages license, OR A HOLDER AS OF JUNE 1, 2002 OF A CLASS B ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE AS OF JUNE 1, 2002, in Anne Arundel County THAT HAS A RESTRICTION PROHIBITING OFF-SALES, may be issued a second license by the Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners if:

(i) The second license is a Class H (beer, wine and liquor) license or a Class H (beer and wine) license; and

(ii) '[The] EITHER THE restaurant for which the Class H license under item (i) of this paragraph is sought OR TO WHICH THE ORIGINAL CLASS B OR CLASS H LICENSE APPLIES is located within:

1. A suburban community center designated by Anne Arundel County in accordance with Bill Nos. 36-96 and 70-96 of the ordinances of Anne Arundel County; or

2. One of the following locations as they existed on October 1, 1999: