

Chapter 801

(House Bill 476)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class A License Quota

FOR the purpose of altering the quota for the number of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued in the 8th election district in St. Mary's County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
Section 28–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2024 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
Section 28–1601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2024 Replacement Volume)

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

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

28–102.

This title applies only in St. Mary's County.

28–1601.

(a) The Board may not:

(1) issue more than one Class A license:

(I) for every 1,350 individuals **THAT LIVE** in an election district in the county **OTHER THAN THE 8TH ELECTION DISTRICT; AND**

(II) **FOR EVERY 4,000 INDIVIDUALS THAT LIVE IN THE 8TH ELECTION DISTRICT; or**

(2) approve the transfer of a license issued under item (1) of this subsection from one election district to another election district unless the transfer can be made without exceeding the license [quota] **QUOTAS** provided in item (1) of this subsection.

(b) The Board shall use the population statistics from the most recent County Planning Commission annual report to maintain the license [quota] **QUOTAS** provided in subsection (a)(1) of this section.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

Approved by the Governor, May 20, 2025.