

HOUSE BILL 866

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CF SB 670

By: **Frederick County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 30, 2025

Assigned to: Economic Matters

Committee Report: Favorable

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 6, 2025

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class C (Theater) Beer, Wine, and**
3 **Liquor License**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a Class C (theater) beer, wine, and liquor license in
5 Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick
6 County to issue the license; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and
7 liquor for on–premises consumption, subject to certain limitations; and generally
8 relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

9 BY renumbering

10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
11 Section 20–1014.1
12 to be Section 20–1014.2
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2024 Replacement Volume)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

16 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
17 Section 20–102
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2024 Replacement Volume)

20 BY adding to

21 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
22 Section 20–1014.1

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



Annotated Code of Maryland
(2024 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That Section(s) 20–1014.1 of Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis of the Annotated
Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 20–1014.2.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
as follows:

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

20–102.

This title applies only in Frederick County.

20–1014.1.

(A) THERE IS A CLASS C (THEATER) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

**(B) THE MANAGER OF THE THEATER OR ANY OTHER OFFICIAL DESIGNATED
BY THE THEATER MAY SIGN THE APPLICATION FOR THE LICENSE.**

**(C) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A LICENSE FOR USE BY A THEATER WITH
SEATING.**

**(D) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER TO SELL BEER, WINE,
AND LIQUOR FOR ON–PREMISES CONSUMPTION FROM 1 HOUR BEFORE TO 1 HOUR
AFTER:**

(1) A REGULAR PERFORMANCE;

**(2) A FUND–RAISER PERFORMANCE THAT BENEFITS THE THEATER;
OR**

**(3) AN EVENT HOSTED BY AN OUTSIDE GROUP THAT HAS RENTED THE
THEATER.**

(E) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$150.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
1, 2025.