

Chapter 1019

(House Bill 743)

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Promoter’s ~~License~~ Permit

FOR the purpose of altering the promoter’s permit in Frederick County to be a promoter’s (on-sale) beer, wine, and liquor ~~license~~ permit; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue the ~~license~~ permit to a certain for-profit organization under certain circumstances; authorizing a ~~license~~ permit holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor at an event; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY renumbering

~~Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis~~~~Section 20–1103~~~~to be Section 20–1011.1~~~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~~~(2016 Volume and 2023 Supplement)~~

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

Section 20–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2016 Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

Section ~~20–1011.1~~ 20–1103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2016 Volume and 2023 Supplement)

~~(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)~~

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That ~~Section(s) 20–1103 of Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 20–1011.1.~~

~~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.

~~20-1011.1, 20-1103.~~

(a) There is a promoter's ~~[permit]~~ ~~(ON SALE) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE~~.

(b) **(1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,** [A for-profit organization shall obtain the permit from the] ~~THE THE~~ Board [before the organization] may [publicize, sell tickets for, organize, operate, produce, or stage] **ISSUE THE LICENSE PERMIT FOR USE BY A FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT PUBLICIZES, SELLS TICKETS FOR, ORGANIZES, OPERATES, PRODUCES, OR STAGES** an event [at which] **WHERE** alcoholic beverages are sold or served.

(2) THE PERMIT HOLDER MAY NOT HOLD AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

(c) **THE LICENSE PERMIT AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE PERMIT HOLDER TO SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR AT AN EVENT.**

(D) The Board may adopt regulations establishing the requirements for conducting an event described in subsection (b) of this section, including health and safety standards to be met by a ~~[permit]~~ ~~LICENSE~~ holder.

[(d)] (E) The ~~[permit]~~ ~~LICENSE~~ fee is:

- (1) \$50, if the promoter expects that fewer than 500 individuals will attend;
- (2) \$250, if the promoter expects that from 500 to 1,000 individuals will attend;
- (3) \$600, if the promoter expects that from 1,001 to 3,000 individuals will attend; and
- (4) \$1,000, if the promoter expects that more than 3,000 individuals will attend.

SECTION ~~2~~ **2** AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

Approved by the Governor, May 16, 2024.