

SENATE BILL 788

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CF HB 346

By: **Senator M. Washington**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – 43rd Alcoholic Beverages District – Class**
3 **B–D–7 Licenses**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to
5 issue Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor licenses in certain areas of the 43rd
6 alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City if the license applicant meets certain
7 criteria; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore City.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
10 Section 12–102 and 12–1603(a) and (b)(3)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2024 Replacement Volume)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
15 Section 12–1603(c)(17) and (18)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2024 Replacement Volume)

18 BY adding to
19 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
20 Section 12–1603(c)(19) through (21)
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (2024 Replacement Volume)

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

25 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 12-102.

2 This title applies only in Baltimore City.

3 12-1603.

4 (a) The alcoholic beverages districts described in this section at all times are
5 coterminous with the legislative districts in the Legislative Districting Plan of 2022.

6 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the Board may not issue a
7 new license in:

8 (3) the 43rd alcoholic beverages district;

9 (c) The Board may issue:

10 (17) a Class A-7 beer, wine, and liquor license in the 1200 block of West
11 North Avenue in the 40th alcoholic beverages district, if:

12 (i) the applicant executes a memorandum of understanding with the
13 Penn North Community Association;

14 (ii) alcoholic beverages are sold only as part of a gift basket or floral
15 arrangement; and

16 (iii) the applicant does not hold or apply for a Class BWLT beer, wine,
17 and liquor (on-premises) tasting license; [and]

18 (18) a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license for a restaurant on the even
19 side of the 400 block of West 29th Street in the 40th alcoholic beverages district if:

20 (i) the applicant executes a memorandum of understanding with the
21 Greater Remington Improvement Association; and

22 (ii) the Board waives a minimum seating requirement under item
23 (1)(ii)2 of this subsection;

24 **(19) A CLASS B-D-7 LICENSE IN THE 2600 BLOCK OF HUNTINGDON**
25 **AVENUE IN THE 43RD ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT IF:**

26 **(I) AVERAGE DAILY RECEIPTS FROM THE SALE OF ITEMS**
27 **OTHER THAN PACKAGE GOODS ARE AT LEAST 51% OF THE APPLICANT'S TOTAL**
28 **DAILY RECEIPTS;**

1 (II) THE APPLICANT EXECUTES A MEMORANDUM OF
2 UNDERSTANDING WITH THE GREATER REMINGTON IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION;
3 AND

4 (III) THE APPLICANT DOES NOT CREATE A SEPARATE PACKAGE
5 GOODS DEPARTMENT;

6 (20) THREE CLASS B-D-7 LICENSES IN THE 2700 BLOCK OF
7 HUNTINGDON AVENUE IN THE 43RD ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT IF:

8 (I) AVERAGE DAILY RECEIPTS FROM THE SALE OF ITEMS
9 OTHER THAN PACKAGE GOODS ARE AT LEAST 51% OF THE APPLICANT'S TOTAL
10 DAILY RECEIPTS;

11 (II) THE APPLICANT EXECUTES A MEMORANDUM OF
12 UNDERSTANDING WITH THE GREATER REMINGTON IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION;
13 AND

14 (III) THE APPLICANT DOES NOT CREATE A SEPARATE PACKAGE
15 GOODS DEPARTMENT; AND

16 (21) A CLASS B-D-7 LICENSE IN THE 300 BLOCK OF WEST 29TH
17 STREET IN THE 43RD ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT IF:

18 (I) AVERAGE DAILY RECEIPTS FROM THE SALE OF ITEMS
19 OTHER THAN PACKAGE GOODS ARE AT LEAST 51% OF THE APPLICANT'S TOTAL
20 DAILY RECEIPTS;

21 (II) THE APPLICANT EXECUTES A MEMORANDUM OF
22 UNDERSTANDING WITH THE GREATER REMINGTON IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION;
23 AND

24 (III) THE APPLICANT DOES NOT CREATE A SEPARATE PACKAGE
25 GOODS DEPARTMENT.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
27 1, 2025.