

HOUSE BILL 1062

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By: **Harford County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2023

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Alteration of License Quota**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the quota used to determine the maximum number of certain
4 alcoholic beverages licenses that the Board of License Commissioners for Harford
5 County may issue; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford
6 County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
9 Section 22–102
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
14 Section 22–1601
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2016 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

20 22–102.

21 This title applies only in Harford County.

22 22–1601.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(a) For every ~~3,000~~ **4,000** individuals in the county, as specified by the Maryland Department of Health, the Board may not issue more than:

(1) one Class A (off-sale) license;

(2) one Class A-1 (off-sale) license; ~~and~~ **OR**

(3) one Class A-2 (off-sale) license.

(b) If the number of licenses in a class exceeds the quota specified in subsection (a) of this section, the Board may not issue a new license of that class unless the number of licenses of that class are reduced by revocation or surrender, creating a vacancy under the particular quota specified.

(c) This section does not apply to the transfer, conversion, or renewal of a license.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2023.