

# SENATE BILL 715

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By: **Senator Edwards**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Garrett County – Multiple Event License**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the holder of a certain special multiple event license in  
4 Garrett County to ensure that at least one individual who is certified by an approved  
5 alcohol awareness program is on the premises when alcoholic beverages are served;  
6 authorizing the license holder to store certain alcoholic beverages between certain  
7 events under certain circumstances and conditions; requiring the license holder to  
8 keep certain records in a certain manner; authorizing certain personnel of the  
9 Comptroller's Office and the Board of License Commissioners of Garrett County to  
10 inspect certain records in a certain manner; making a technical change; and  
11 generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
14 Section 7–101(p)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

19 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

20 7–101.

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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.



1 (p) (1) In Garrett County, there are 4 types of special Class C beer, beer and  
2 wine, or beer, wine and liquor licenses available, as follows:

3 (i) A special 2–day Class C license for a fee of \$50;

4 (ii) A special 6–day Class C license for a fee of \$150;

5 (iii) A special 12–day Class C license for a fee of \$300; or

6 (iv) A special multiple event Class C license under the following  
7 conditions:

8 1. The Board of License Commissioners may issue a special  
9 multiple event license to an organization that otherwise qualifies for a special Class C  
10 license;

11 2. The annual fee for a special multiple event license is as  
12 follows:

13 A. \$125 for up to 5 events per year;

14 B. \$250 for up to 12 events per year;

15 C. \$375 for up to 18 events per year; and

16 D. \$500 for up to 24 events per year;

17 3. The Board may not issue more than 1 special multiple  
18 event license to an organization in a license year;

19 4. A special multiple event licensee shall notify the Board in  
20 writing at least 7 days before an event; and

21 5. The Board shall publish a notice for application for a  
22 special multiple event license one time at least 7 days before the hearing on the license.

23 (2) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the Garrett  
24 County Board of License Commissioners may grant a license holder a privilege at no charge  
25 to sell for consumption off the licensed premises an alcoholic beverage authorized by the  
26 license if:

27 1. The alcoholic beverage is bottled in commemorative or  
28 special event bottles and sold at a special event;

29 2. The Board approves the commemorative or special event  
30 bottles before the event occurs; and

1                                   3.     The alcoholic beverage will be sold at the event only on the  
2 days and hours allowed by the Board.

3                                   (ii)    A holder of a license is entitled to be granted the privilege  
4 described under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph if the license is a:

5                                   1.     Special 2–day Class C license;

6                                   2.     Special 6–day Class C license;

7                                   3.     Special 12–day Class C license; or

8                                   4.     Special [multi–event] **MULTIPLE EVENT** Class C license.

9                                   **(3)    THE ORGANIZATION FOR WHICH A SPECIAL MULTIPLE EVENT**  
10 **CLASS C LICENSE IS ISSUED SHALL ENSURE THAT AT LEAST ONE SERVER WHO IS**  
11 **CERTIFIED BY AN APPROVED ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM IS ON THE PREMISES**  
12 **WHEN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE SERVED.**

13                                   **(4)    (I)    THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY TO THE HOLDER OF A**  
14 **SPECIAL MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSE WHO HAS AN APPROVED LICENSED PREMISES.**

15                                   **(II)   ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY BE STORED BETWEEN**  
16 **INDIVIDUAL LICENSED EVENTS ON THE LICENSED PREMISES OR IN A STORAGE AREA**  
17 **THAT THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS APPROVES IF THE ALCOHOLIC**  
18 **BEVERAGES:**

19                                   1.     **ARE IN A SPECIALLY IDENTIFIED LOCKED AND**  
20 **SECURED LOCATION; AND**

21                                   2.     **ARE NOT SOLD OR CONSUMED EXCEPT DURING**  
22 **LICENSED EVENT HOURS FOR LICENSED EVENT PURPOSES.**

23                                   **(III) 1.    A LICENSE HOLDER SHALL KEEP COMPLETE AND**  
24 **ACCURATE RECORDS OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PURCHASED AND SOLD ON**  
25 **THE LICENSED PREMISES.**

26                                   2.     **THE RECORDS SHALL BE:**

27                                   A.     **MAINTAINED ON THE LICENSED PREMISES FOR 2**  
28 **YEARS; AND**

1                           **B. AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY AUTHORIZED**  
2 **PERSONNEL OF THE COMPTROLLER’S OFFICE AND THE BOARD OF LICENSE**  
3 **COMMISSIONERS.**

4                           **3. THE RECORDS SHALL INCLUDE A COMPLETED**  
5 **PRE- AND POST-INVENTORY OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL**  
6 **EVENT.**

7                           **(IV) AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL OF THE COMPTROLLER’S**  
8 **OFFICE AND THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY INSPECT THE**  
9 **PREMISES OF A LICENSE HOLDER AS PROVIDED UNDER § 16-405 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

10           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
11   October 1, 2015.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.