

Chapter 70

**(Senate Bill 52)**

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Off-Sale Licenses – Assessment Districts**

FOR the purpose of defining the term “assessment district” in a provision relating to the issuance of certain off-sale alcoholic beverages licenses in Anne Arundel County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 11–102  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 11–1602  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

**Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

11–102.

This title applies only in Anne Arundel County.

11–1602.

(a) **IN THIS SECTION, “ASSESSMENT DISTRICT” MEANS A TAX ASSESSMENT DISTRICT ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY THROUGH LOCAL LAW.**

(b) The Board may issue a Class A (off-sale), Class B (off-sale), or Class D (off-sale) license based on its determination of whether the license is necessary to accommodate the public.

[(b)] (c) In making its determination, the Board may consider whether the establishment for which the license would be issued is in:

(1) [a] AN ASSESSMENT district in which the ratio of off-sale licenses per individual is more than one per 4,000 individuals; or

(2) [a] AN ASSESSMENT district in which the ratio of off-sale licenses per individual is less than one per 4,000 individuals.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

**Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 8, 2020.**