

# HOUSE BILL 377

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Consumption Only Marketplace**  
3 **License**

4 **MC 11–20**

5 FOR the purpose of establishing in Montgomery County a consumption only marketplace  
6 license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to the  
7 developer of a commercial shopping center if the commercial shopping center meets  
8 certain criteria; authorizing the license holder to allow the consumption of beer,  
9 wine, and liquor in a designated outdoor area if the beer, wine, or liquor is purchased  
10 from certain establishments; requiring a developer to include certain information in  
11 the license application; providing for the hours of consumption for the license;  
12 establishing an annual license fee; defining a certain term; and generally relating to  
13 a consumption only marketplace license in Montgomery County.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

15 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

16 Section 25–102

17 Annotated Code of Maryland

18 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

19 BY adding to

20 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

21 Section 25–1004.1

22 Annotated Code of Maryland

23 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

26 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 25-102.

2 This title applies only in Montgomery County.

3 25-1004.1.

4 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "SHOPPING CENTER" MEANS ANY COMBINATION OF  
5 PRIVATELY-OWNED COMMERCIAL, PROFESSIONAL, OR RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS  
6 TO WHICH THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.

7 (B) THERE IS A CONSUMPTION ONLY MARKETPLACE LICENSE.

8 (C) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A CONSUMPTION ONLY MARKETPLACE LICENSE  
9 TO THE DEVELOPER OF A COMMERCIAL SHOPPING CENTER IF THE COMMERCIAL  
10 SHOPPING CENTER:

11 (1) ENCOMPASSES AN AREA OF AT LEAST 10 ACRES;

12 (2) INCLUDES AT LEAST ONE ESTABLISHMENT FOR WHICH A CLASS B  
13 LICENSE, CLASS BD-BWL LICENSE, CLASS D-BWL LICENSE, OR CLASS H LICENSE  
14 HAS BEEN ISSUED; AND

15 (3) CONTAINS A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR AREA FOR THE  
16 CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

17 (D) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER TO ALLOW THE  
18 CONSUMPTION OF BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR IN A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR AREA  
19 LOCATED WITHIN THE COMMERCIAL SHOPPING CENTER IF THE BEER, WINE, OR  
20 LIQUOR IS PURCHASED AT AN ESTABLISHMENT:

21 (1) THAT IS LOCATED WITHIN THE COMMERCIAL SHOPPING CENTER;

22 (2) FOR WHICH A CLASS B LICENSE, CLASS BD-BWL LICENSE, OR  
23 CLASS H LICENSE HAS BEEN ISSUED;

24 (3) IS CONTIGUOUS TO THE DESIGNATED OUTDOOR AREA; AND

25 (4) THAT USES CONTAINERS BRANDED WITH AN IDENTIFYING MARK  
26 OF THE SELLER.

27 (E) AS PART OF THE LICENSE APPLICATION, A DEVELOPER SHALL INCLUDE:

28 (1) A DESCRIPTION OF THE DESIGNATED OUTDOOR AREA AND A LIST

1 OF THE CONTIGUOUS LICENSE HOLDERS WHOSE BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR MAY BE  
2 CONSUMED IN THE DESIGNATED OUTDOOR AREA; AND

3 (2) A SECURITY PLAN THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE  
4 MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

5 (F) THE LICENSE HOLDER MAY ALLOW THE CONSUMPTION OF BEER, WINE,  
6 AND LIQUOR IN THE DESIGNATED OUTDOOR AREA ON MONDAY THROUGH SUNDAY,  
7 FROM 11 A.M. TO 11 P.M.

8 (G) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$4,000.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
10 1, 2020.