

SENATE BILL 645

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By: **Senators Carozza and Eckardt**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2022

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages – Dinner Theater License**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a Class B–DT (dinner theater) beer, wine, and liquor
4 license in Wicomico County and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for
5 Wicomico County to issue the license; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages
6 licenses in Wicomico County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

8 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

9 Section 32–102

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2016 Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY adding to

13 Article – Alcoholic Beverages

14 Section 32–1001.2

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2016 Volume and 2021 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 32–102.

21 This title applies only in Wicomico County.

22 **32–1001.2.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(A) THERE IS A CLASS B-DT (DINNER THEATER) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR**
2 **LICENSE.**

3 **(B) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE THE LICENSE FOR THE USE OF A DINNER**
4 **THEATER THAT:**

5 **(1) PROVIDES LIVE MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT, BROADWAY-STYLE**
6 **MUSICALS, COMEDY, DANCE PERFORMANCES, OR DRAMA TO THE DINNER**
7 **THEATER'S CUSTOMERS;**

8 **(2) IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC BY RESERVATION ONLY; AND**

9 **(3) CONTAINS A DINING ROOM WITH FACILITIES FOR PREPARING AND**
10 **SERVING FULL-COURSE MEALS FOR AT LEAST 80 INDIVIDUALS AT ONE SEATING.**

11 **(C) (1) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER TO SELL AT**
12 **RETAIL FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION:**

13 **(I) BEER AND WINE BY THE DRINK OR BOTTLE; AND**

14 **(II) LIQUOR BY THE DRINK.**

15 **(2) A LICENSE HOLDER MAY NOT SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:**

16 **(I) FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; OR**

17 **(II) AT ANY TIME EXCEPT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DINNER**
18 **THEATER.**

19 **(D) A LICENSE HOLDER MAY SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR BEGINNING 2**
20 **HOURS BEFORE A LIVE PERFORMANCE UNTIL THE END OF THE PERFORMANCE ON**
21 **MONDAY THROUGH SUNDAY.**

22 **(E) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$1,500.**

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
24 1, 2022.