



# Montgomery County

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**HB 297**

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**SPONSOR: Montgomery County Delegation**

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**POSITION: SUPPORT**

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### **Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Catering Extension MC 27-20**

House Bill 297 authorizes the Board of License Commissioners to issue a catering extension to holders of a Class D Beer, Wine, and Liquor license. A Class D-BWL license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises consumption. A catering extension authorizes the license holder to sell alcoholic beverages off-premises of the licensed establishment while catering a party or event. The bill requires the license holder to provide food for consumption at the event and can only be used during the times that the underlying license authorizes the sale of alcohol. Currently, the catering extension is available to the holders of Class B-BWL, Class BD-BWL, and Class B-K-BWL licenses.

Denizens Brewing Company requested this bill so that it can cater parties and events like restaurants and brewing companies that hold Class B-BWL and Class BD-BWL already do.

Montgomery County supports House Bill 297.