

SB 0643

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The Honorable Paul G. Pinsky, Chairman
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
2 West Miller Senate Office Building
11 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SENATE BILL 0643 — GARRETT COUNTY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2020
HEARING – FEBRUARY 28, 2020 @ 1:00 PM

Dear Chairman Pinsky:

The Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board requested the Garrett County Delegation introduce Senate Bill 0643. The requested legislation would amend certain provisions related to the Title 21 - Garrett County for manufacture's license delivery dates and Class B Deluxe license holder requirements for multiple license holders. In addition, the request would allow for a wine refillable container permit. Initially, a request was made for a Class 1 Distillery On-Premise Consumption Permit as allowed by 2019 HB 0549, but an amendment was submitted to withdraw this request.

The requested amendment to the manufacturer's license *approved days for delivery*, would allow for deliveries on election day. The Class B Deluxe amendments are housekeeping measures that refer to restaurant licenses in Garrett County and in other jurisdictions. It also reduces the Class B Deluxe seating requirement to match the Class B seating requirements. The creation of the Wine Refillable Container Permit was requested for license holders seeking to package wine in a to-go container like a beer growler. The request for the creation of the Class 1 Distillery On-Premise Consumption Permit has since been withdrawn and will be addressed in the Rules and Regulations of the Board of License Commissioners of Garrett County, Maryland.

The Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board ask for your favorable consideration of Senate Bill 0643 and thank you for the support you may give this legislative issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah R. Owston".

Deborah R. Owston
Administrator of the Board of License Commissioners

cc: Delegate Wendell Beitzel
Senator George Edwards