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By: **Prince George’s County Delegation**

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George’s County – Alcoholic Beverages – Licenses for Supermarkets**

3 **PG 308–20**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George’s  
5 County to issue a Class A beer and light wine license for use in a supermarket under  
6 certain circumstances; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Prince  
7 George’s County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
10 Section 26–102 and 26–1501  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
15 Section 26–1509  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

2 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

3 26–102.

4 This title applies only in Prince George’s County.

5 26–1501.

6 (a) Section 4–207 (“Licenses issued to minors”) of Division I of this article applies  
7 in the county without exception or variation.

8 (b) The following sections of Title 4, Subtitle 2 (“Issuance or Denial of License  
9 Applications”) do not apply in the county:

10 (1) § 4–206 (“Limitations on retail floor space”) and is superseded by §  
11 26–1504 of this subtitle;

12 (2) § 4–210 (“Approval or denial of license application”) and is superseded  
13 by § 26–1513 of this subtitle; and

14 (3) § 4–214 (“Waiting periods after denial of license applications”) and is  
15 superseded by § 26–1516 of this subtitle.

16 (c) The following sections of Title 4, Subtitle 2 (“Issuance or Denial of Local  
17 Licenses”) of Division I of this article apply in the county:

18 (1) § 4–202 (“Authority of local licensing boards”), in addition to §§ 26–1502  
19 and 26–1503 of this subtitle;

20 (2) § 4–203 (“Prohibition against issuing multiple licenses to individual or  
21 for use of entity”), subject to § 26–1505 of this subtitle and Subtitle 13, Part III and Subtitle  
22 16, Part II of this title;

23 (3) § 4–204 (“Prohibition against issuing multiple licenses for same  
24 premises”), subject to § 26–1505 of this subtitle and Subtitle 13, Part III of this title;

1           (4)    § 4–205 (“Chain store, supermarket, or discount house”), subject to §  
2 26–1509 of this subtitle;

3           (5)    § 4–208 (“Notice of license application required”), subject to § 26–1512  
4 of this subtitle;

5           (6)    § 4–209 (“Hearing”), in addition to § 26–1511 of this subtitle;

6           (7)    § 4–211 (“License forms; effective date; expiration”), in addition to §  
7 26–1508 of this subtitle;

8           (8)    § 4–212 (“License not property”), subject to § 26–1506 of this subtitle;  
9 and

10          (9)    § 4–213 (“Replacement licenses”), subject to § 26–1517 of this subtitle.  
11 26–1509.

12          (a)    Except as provided in [subsection (b)] **SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (C)** of this  
13 section, the Board may not issue a license that has an off–sale privilege to:

14           (1)    an establishment commonly known as a chain store, supermarket, or  
15 discount house; or

16           (2)    a franchisor, franchisee, or concessionaire of the establishment.

17          (b)    An establishment described in subsection (a) of this section that held a license  
18 on July 1, 1973:

19           (1)    may continue to hold the license; and

20           (2)    at the discretion of the Board, may change the class of the license.

21          **(C) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A CLASS A BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSE FOR**  
22 **USE IN A SUPERMARKET THAT HAS A MINIMUM INVESTMENT OF AT LEAST \$500,000**  
23 **IN THE SUPERMARKET FACILITIES, NOT INCLUDING THE COST OF LAND OR**  
24 **BUILDINGS.**

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

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