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A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County – Alcoholic Beverages – Festival License

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FOR the purpose of establishing a festival license in Prince George's County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County to issue the license to certain individuals; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
Section 26–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2024 Replacement Volume and 2026 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis
Section 26–1309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2024 Replacement Volume and 2026 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: **CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.**
[Brackets**]** indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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

Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

26–102.

This title applies only in Prince George's County.

26–1309.

(A) THERE IS A FESTIVAL LICENSE.

(B) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE THE LICENSE:

(1) TO AN INDIVIDUAL OR A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ORGANIZATION PLANNING A FESTIVAL WITH AN ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE OF UP TO 60,000 INDIVIDUALS; AND

(2) FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO 3 CONSECUTIVE DAYS.

(C) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE HOLDER TO SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR FOR ON–PREMISES CONSUMPTION DURING THE HOURS AND DAYS DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD.

(D) THE FEE FOR A FESTIVAL LICENSE IS:

(1) FOR AN EVENT WITH AN ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE OF 1 TO 5,000 INDIVIDUALS, $200;

(2) FOR AN EVENT WITH AN ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE OF 5,001 TO 20,000 INDIVIDUALS, $2,000;

(3) FOR AN EVENT WITH AN ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE OF 20,001 TO 40,000 INDIVIDUALS, $4,000; AND

(4) FOR AN EVENT WITH AN ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE OF 40,001 TO 60,000 INDIVIDUALS, $7,500.

(E) (1) THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE APPLICABLE LICENSE FEE BASED ON THE ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE AT THE FESTIVAL AS REPRESENTED BY THE APPLICANT.

(2) THE BOARD MAY REQUIRE AN APPLICANT TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION SUPPORTING THE ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE, INCLUDING TICKET SALES PROJECTIONS, VENUE CAPACITY, PRIOR ATTENDANCE INFORMATION, PROMOTER ESTIMATES, SECURITY PLANS, AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION REASONABLY RELATED TO DETERMINING THE ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE AND THE APPLICABLE LICENSE FEE.

(F) IF, AFTER A LICENSE FEE HAS BEEN PAID, THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE PROVIDED BY THE APPLICANT WAS INACCURATE OR MATERIALLY UNDERSTATED, THE BOARD MAY REQUIRE THE APPLICANT TO PAY THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FEE PAID AND THE REDETERMINED FEE, SUBJECT TO REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD.

(G) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION, INCLUDING REGULATIONS RELATED TO:

(1) APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES;

(2) CALCULATING THE ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE;

(3) ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION;

(4) SECURITY AND PUBLIC SAFETY REQUIREMENTS;

(5) THE NUMBER AND LOCATION OF POINTS OF SALE;

(6) ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SALE AND SERVICE REQUIREMENTS;

(7) INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT REQUIREMENTS;

(8) EVENT CANCELLATION AND REFUND PROCEDURES; AND

(9) ANY OTHER MATTER NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2027.