

HOUSE BILL 159

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2018

Assigned to: Economic Matters

Committee Report: Favorable

House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Basket of Cheer Permit**

3 **MC 21-18**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a basket of cheer permit in Montgomery County; requiring
5 the Board of License Commissioners to grant the permit at no cost to holders of
6 certain Class C per diem licenses; providing that the permit authorizes the permit
7 holder to provide as a prize at a benefit performance a basket of cheer, consisting of
8 certain alcoholic beverages; specifying that the alcoholic beverages contained in a
9 basket of cheer shall be for off-premises consumption; and generally relating to
10 alcoholic beverages permits granted in Montgomery County.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
13 Section 25-102
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

16 BY adding to
17 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
18 Section 25-1312
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

25–102.

This title applies only in Montgomery County.

25–1312.

(A) THERE IS A BASKET OF CHEER PERMIT.

(B) THE BOARD SHALL GRANT THE PERMIT AT NO COST TO A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER AND WINE LICENSE OR A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE.

(C) THE PERMIT AUTHORIZES THE PERMIT HOLDER TO PROVIDE AS A PRIZE AT A BENEFIT PERFORMANCE A BASKET OF CHEER, CONSISTING OF:

(1) FOR A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER AND WINE LICENSE, NOT MORE THAN:

(I) 288 OUNCES OF BEER; AND

(II) 2.25 LITERS OF WINE; AND

(2) FOR A HOLDER OF A CLASS C PER DIEM BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE, NOT MORE THAN:

(I) 288 OUNCES OF BEER;

(II) 2.25 LITERS OF WINE; AND

(III) 2.25 LITERS OF LIQUOR.

(D) THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTAINED IN A BASKET OF CHEER SHALL BE FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2018.