

HOUSE BILL 1552

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By: **Delegates Solomon, Fair, Ebersole, Hornberger, Metzgar, Qi, Schindler, Schmidt, Stewart, and Tomlinson**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2026

Assigned to: Government, Labor, and Elections

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Class L Beer, Wine, and Liquor License – Established**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a Class L beer, wine, and liquor license; authorizing a local
4 licensing board to issue the license to a holder of a manufacturer’s license; specifying
5 that the license authorizes the license holder to sell or provide samples of certain
6 beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption under certain circumstances;
7 and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis

10 Section 2–220

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis**

16 **2–220.**

17 **(A) THERE IS A CLASS L BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE.**

18 **(B) A LOCAL LICENSING BOARD MAY ISSUE THE LICENSE TO THE HOLDER**
19 **OF A MANUFACTURER’S LICENSE.**

20 **(C) THE LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER, FOR ON–PREMISES**
21 **CONSUMPTION, TO:**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(1) SELL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PRODUCED BY THE HOLDER OR**
2 **ANOTHER HOLDER OF A MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE; AND**

3 **(2) PROVIDE A SAMPLE OF THE BEER, WINE, OR LIQUOR THAT IS**
4 **AUTHORIZED UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION AT NO COST.**

5 **(D) THE HOURS OF SALE FOR A CLASS L BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**
6 **ARE THE SAME AS THOSE FOR THE UNDERLYING MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE.**

7 **(E) THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE IS \$250.**

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
9 1, 2026.