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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class 7 Micro–Brewery License –**  
3 **Issuance**

4 **MC 9–18**

5 FOR the purpose of adding the holder of a Class BD–BWL alcoholic beverages license to  
6 the list of license holders in Montgomery County eligible to be issued a Class 7  
7 micro–brewery license by the Comptroller; specifying the privileges under certain  
8 licenses of license holders eligible to be issued a Class 7 micro–brewery license;  
9 prohibiting the Comptroller from issuing more than a certain number of Class 7  
10 micro–brewery licenses in the Town of Kensington; and generally relating to the sale  
11 of alcoholic beverages in Montgomery County.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
13 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
14 Section 25–102  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
18 Article – Alcoholic Beverages  
19 Section 25–405

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



1 Annotated Code of Maryland  
2 (2016 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

5 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

6 25–102.

7 This title applies only in Montgomery County.

8 25–405.

9 (a) This section applies to a Class 7 micro–brewery (on– and off–sale) license in  
10 the county.

11 (b) The license may be issued to the holder of:

12 (1) a Class B beer, wine, and liquor (on–sale) license that is issued for use  
13 on the premises of a restaurant located in the county;

14 (2) **SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION**, a Class D beer and  
15 wine license **THAT IS ISSUED FOR THE SALE OF BEER AND WINE, AT RETAIL, AT THE**  
16 **PLACE DESCRIBED IN THE LICENSE, FOR ON– AND OFF–PREMISES CONSUMPTION;**  
17 **[or]**

18 (3) a Class H beer and wine license **THAT IS ISSUED FOR THE SALE OF**  
19 **BEER AND WINE AT A HOTEL OR RESTAURANT, AT RETAIL, AT THE PLACE DESCRIBED**  
20 **IN THE LICENSE, FOR ON–PREMISES CONSUMPTION; OR**

21 (4) **A CLASS BD–BWL LICENSE THAT IS ISSUED FOR THE SALE OF**  
22 **BEER AND WINE FOR ON– AND OFF–PREMISES CONSUMPTION, AND LIQUOR FOR**  
23 **ON–PREMISES CONSUMPTION, AT THE PLACE DESCRIBED IN THE LICENSE.**

24 (c) **THE COMPTROLLER MAY NOT ISSUE MORE THAN AN AGGREGATE**  
25 **AMOUNT OF TWO CLASS 7 MICRO–BREWERY LICENSES TO HOLDERS OF CLASS D**  
26 **BEER AND WINE LICENSES IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON.**

1            **[(c)] (D)**        A holder of the license shall enter into a written agreement with the  
2 Department of Liquor Control for the sale and resale of malt beverages brewed under the  
3 license.

4            **[(d)] (E)**        (1)     Subject to paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of this subsection, the  
5 holder of a Class 7 micro–brewery license may:

6                            (i)     brew in two locations using the same Class 7 micro–brewery  
7 license; and

8                            (ii)    obtain a Class 2 rectifying license for the premises at the two  
9 locations authorized under item (i) of this paragraph.

10                    (2)     The holder of a Class 7 micro–brewery license may brew in two locations  
11 using the same Class 7 micro–brewery license if the license holder:

12                            (i)     requests permission by submitting a written application to the  
13 Comptroller; and

14                            (ii)    obtains written approval from the Comptroller.

15                    (3)     Before authorizing a holder of a Class 7 micro–brewery license to brew  
16 in two locations using the same Class 7 micro–brewery license, the Comptroller shall:

17                            (i)     make a determination that a second location to brew additional  
18 capacity is necessary due to insufficient space at the existing Class 7 license location; and

19                            (ii)    consider any other factor relevant to approval of the application.

20                    (4)     Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, a holder of a Class  
21 7 micro–brewery license may not serve or sell malt beverages for on– or off–premises  
22 consumption at the second brewing location authorized under this subsection.

23            SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
24 1, 2018.