

HOUSE BILL 923

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CF SB 385

By: **Harford County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2020

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class MT (Movie Theater) License**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to
4 grant up to a certain number of Class MT (movie theater) licenses to the same person;
5 increasing the fee for a certain license; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages
6 in Harford County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
9 Section 22–102
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
14 Section 22–1005.1
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2016 Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

20 22–102.

21 This title applies only in Harford County.

22 22–1005.1.

23 (a) There is a Class MT (movie theater) beer, wine, and liquor license.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(b) (1) The Board may issue the license for use by the owner of a movie theater.

(2) To be eligible for the license, the owner of a movie theater is required to provide documentation to the Board that the owner has made an investment of at least \$250,000 in the movie theater.

**(3) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE NOT MORE THAN FIVE CLASS MT
LICENSES TO THE SAME PERSON.**

(c) (1) The license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises consumption from 4 p.m. to midnight on the days that the movie theater is open.

(2) Beer, wine, and liquor may be sold only:

(i) in single-serve containers; and

(ii) from a counter separate from a counter serving candy, popcorn, and nonalcoholic beverages.

(3) A movie theater for which the license is issued:

(i) is subject to the alcohol awareness training requirements under § 4-505 of this article; and

(ii) shall offer for sale food other than candy and popcorn.

(d) The annual license fee is ~~[\$500]~~ **\$1,000**.

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