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By: Senators Hester and Gallion

Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2021

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages - Manufacturer's Licenses and Off-Site Permits

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions relating to brewing company, winery, and distillery off-site permits; establishing a manufacturer's off-site permit with certain privileges; authorizing the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to issue a permit to the holder of certain manufacturer's licenses; authorizing a permit holder to sell and provide certain products at certain events; requiring a permit holder to have an employee trained in alcohol awareness present at certain events; specifying certain events at which a permit may be used; providing for a certain number of events at which a permit may be used annually; specifying the primary purpose of certain events; prohibiting use of the permit at more than a certain number of events annually; requiring an applicant for a permit to complete a certain form; requiring a permit holder to provide certain notification to the Commission; authorizing the Commission to adopt certain regulations; establishing a certain fee; authorizing the Commission to issue a brewery special event permit; requiring a certain license holder to file a certain notice for a certain permit; authorizing a permit holder to host a certain event; providing for the limitations of a certain permit; altering the volumes of certain products that the holders of a certain license may sell under certain circumstances; altering the volumes of beer that the holders of certain licenses may produce and distribute annually; altering the method by which certain annual license fees are determined; authorizing holders of a certain manufacturer's license to sell and deliver products produced under the holder's license to an individual located in the State under certain circumstances; authorizing certain holders of a manufacturer's license to directly ship alcohol to a consumer under certain circumstances; correcting certain obsolete references; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages, manufacturer's licenses, and off-site permits.

28 BY repealing

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

30 Section 2–130, 2–132.2, 2–133, and 2–210(j)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 Annotated Code of Maryland 2 (2016 Volume and 2020 Supplement) 3 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, 4 Article – Alcoholic Beverages 5 Section 1-101(a), (f), and (j), 2-202(a), 2-203(a), 2-204(a), 2-205(a), 2-206(a), 6 2-207(b), 2-209(a), and 2-210(a)7 Annotated Code of Maryland 8 (2016 Volume and 2020 Supplement) 9 BY adding to 10 Article – Alcoholic Beverages 11 Section 2–130, 2–140, 2–202(c)(7), 2–203(c)(8), and 2–219 12 Annotated Code of Maryland 13 (2016 Volume and 2020 Supplement) 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, 15 Article – Alcoholic Beverages 16 Section 2-201, 2-202(c)(5) and (6) and (k), 2-203(c)(6) and (7) and (g), 2-204(i), 17 2-205(d), 2-206(b)(1) and (h), 2-207(c)(4), (d), (e), and (g) through (k), 18 2-209(c)(4), (f)(2), and (i), 2-210(b)(1), (c)(1)(i), (f), (k), and (l), and 2-212(b)(3)19 and (4) Annotated Code of Maryland 20 21 (2016 Volume and 2020 Supplement) 22 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND. That Section(s) 2–130, 2–132.2, and 2–133 of Article – Alcoholic Beverages of the Annotated 23 Code of Maryland be repealed. 2425SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read 26as follows: 27 Article - Alcoholic Beverages 28 1-101.29 In this article the following words have the meanings indicated. (a) 30 (f) "Commission" means the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission. 31 "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the Commission. (j) (1) 32 "Executive Director" includes a deputy, an inspector, a clerk, or any other individual authorized to act by the Executive Director. 33

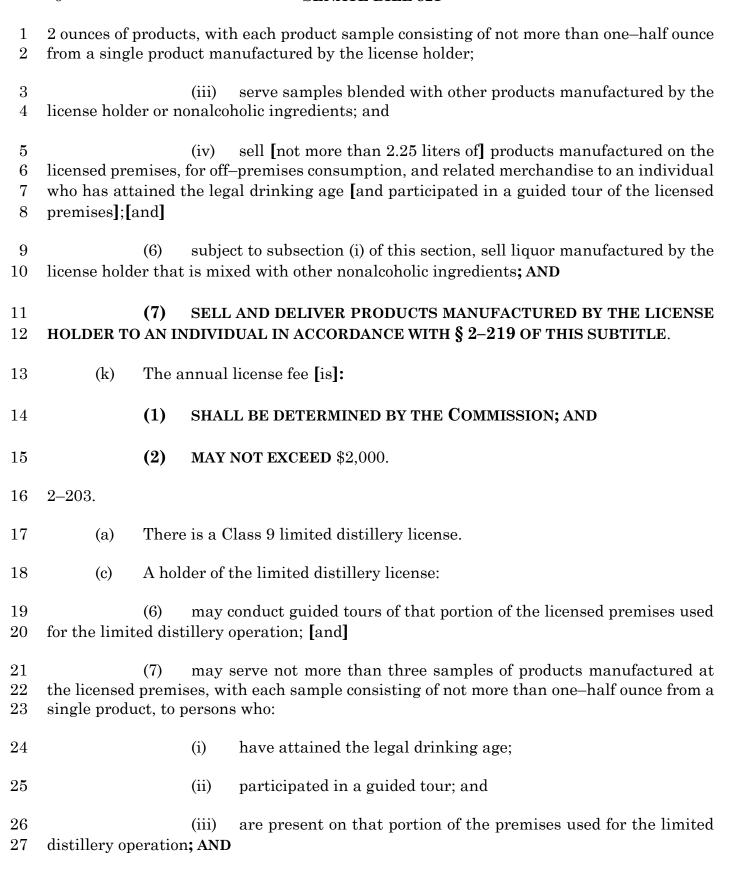
- THERE IS A MANUFACTURER OFF-SITE PERMIT. 1 (A) 2**(B)** THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE THE PERMIT TO A HOLDER OF ANY OF THE 3 FOLLOWING LICENSES WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION: **(1)** CLASS 1 DISTILLERY LICENSE; 4 5 **(2)** CLASS 3 WINERY LICENSE; CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSE; **(3)** 6 7 **(4)** CLASS 5 BREWERY LICENSE; 8 **(5)** CLASS 7 MICRO-BREWERY LICENSE; 9 **(6)** CLASS 8 FARM BREWERY LICENSE; OR **(7)** CLASS 9 LIMITED DISTILLERY LICENSE. 10 11 (C) DURING AN EVENT LISTED IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, THE 12 PERMIT HOLDER MAY: 13 **(1)** PROVIDE SAMPLES AND SELL PRODUCTS TO A CONSUMER THAT ARE MANUFACTURED BY THE PERMIT HOLDER UNDER THE PERMIT HOLDER'S 14 15 LICENSE; 16 **(2)** PROVIDE TO A CONSUMER A SAMPLE THAT MAY NOT EXCEED: 17 **(I)** 1 FLUID OUNCE FOR EACH OFFERING OF WINE; 18 (II)1 FLUID OUNCE FOR EACH OFFERING OF BEER; OR (III) 0.25 FLUID OUNCE FOR EACH OFFERING OF LIQUOR; 19 20 **(3)** SELL TO A CONSUMER FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; AND 21**(4)** SELL TO A CONSUMER FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION. 22(D) THE PERMIT HOLDER SHALL HAVE PRESENT AT LEAST ONE INDIVIDUAL 23WHO IS CERTIFIED BY AN APPROVED ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM WHILE 24PROVIDING SAMPLES OR SELLING AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE DURING AN EVENT.
 - (E) THE PERMIT MAY BE USED:

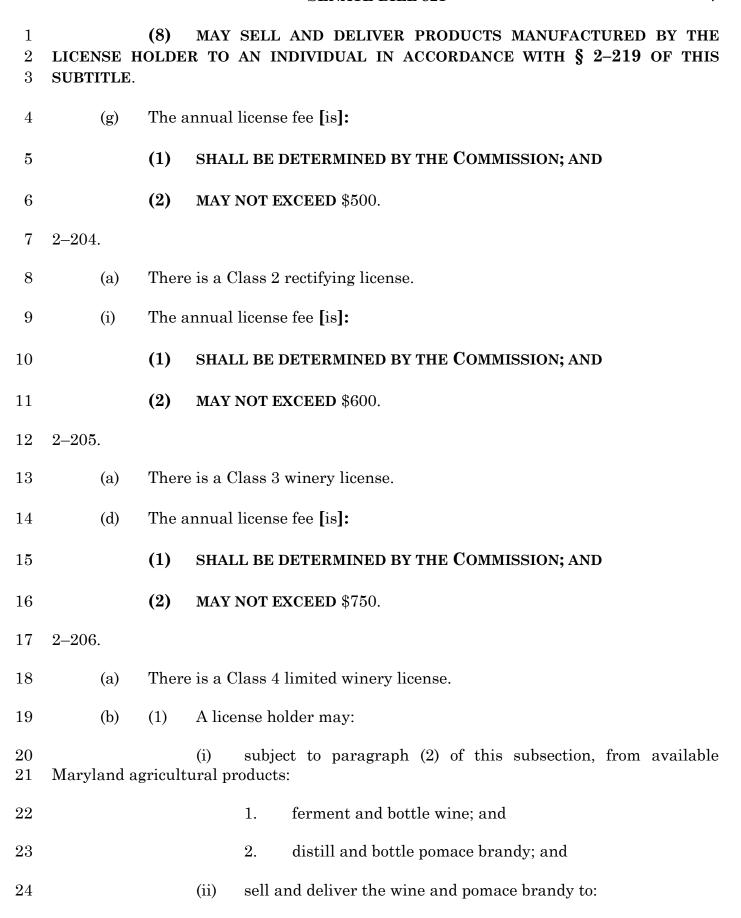
1	(1) AT THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:
2	(I) A COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR;
3	(II) THE MARYLAND STATE AGRICULTURAL FAIR;
4 5	(III) A FARMER'S MARKET THAT IS LISTED ON THE FARMER'S MARKET DIRECTORY OF THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND
6 7	(IV) A NONPROFIT BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR FESTIVAL UNDER § $2-131$ OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND
8 9	(2) FOR NOT MORE THAN 32 ADDITIONAL EVENTS IN 1 YEAR THAT HAVE AN ACTIVITY:
10 11	(I) THAT HAS A PRIMARY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE SALE AND PROMOTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; OR
12 13	(II) FOR WHICH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE PERMIT HOLDER IS SECONDARY.
14 15	(F) THE PERMIT MAY NOT BE USED FOR MORE THAN NINE EVENTS IN 1 YEAR AT ANY INDIVIDUAL LOCATION.
16 17	(G) AN APPLICANT FOR A PERMIT SHALL COMPLETE AN APPLICATION ON A FORM THAT THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZES.
18 19 20	(H) THE PERMIT HOLDER SHALL NOTIFY THE COMMISSION OF THE PERMIT HOLDER'S INTENTION TO ATTEND AN EVENT WITHIN A PERIOD OF TIME THAT THE COMMISSION DETERMINES ON THE FORM THAT THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZES.
21 22 23 24	(I) THE COMMISSION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO REQUIRE THE PERMIT HOLDER TO NOTIFY THE LOCAL LICENSING BOARD OF THE JURISDICTION WHERE THE EVENT IS BEING HELD OF THE PERMIT HOLDER'S INTENTION TO ATTEND THE EVENT.
25	(J) THE ANNUAL PERMIT FEE IS \$100.
26	2–140.

(A) THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE A BREWERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT TO A

HOLDER OF A CLASS 5 BREWERY LICENSE OR A CLASS 8 FARM BREWERY LICENSE.

- 1 (B) AT LEAST 15 DAYS BEFORE HOLDING A SPECIAL EVENT, THE LICENSE 2 HOLDER SHALL OBTAIN A PERMIT FROM THE COMMISSION BY FILING A NOTICE OF 3 THE SPECIAL EVENT ON THE FORM THAT THE COMMISSION PROVIDES.
- 4 (C) THE PERMIT AUTHORIZES THE LICENSE HOLDER TO CONDUCT AT THE 5 LOCATION LISTED ON THE LICENSE A SPECIAL EVENT AT WHICH THE LICENSE 6 HOLDER MAY:
- 7 (1) PROVIDE SAMPLES OF NOT MORE THAN 6 FLUID OUNCES PER 8 BRAND TO CONSUMERS;
- 9 (2) SELL PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED BY THE LICENSE HOLDER AND 10 OTHER MARYLAND BREWERIES TO PERSONS WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT; AND
- 11 (3) IN A SEGREGATED AREA APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION AT THE 12 LOCATION LISTED ON THE LICENSE, STORE THE PRODUCTS OF OTHER MARYLAND 13 BREWERIES.
- 14 **(D)** THE PRODUCTS AT THE EVENT SHALL BE SOLD IN THE MANNER 15 AUTHORIZED UNDER THE PERMIT.
- 16 (E) THE LICENSE HOLDER MAY NOT BE ISSUED MORE THAN 12 PERMITS IN 17 A CALENDAR YEAR.
- 18 (F) A SINGLE SPECIAL EVENT MAY NOT EXCEED 3 CONSECUTIVE DAYS.
- 19 (G) THE PERMIT FEE IS \$25 PER EVENT.
- 20 2-201.
- Each license specified in this subtitle is a manufacturer's license that the [Comptroller] **COMMISSION** issues.
- 23 2-202.
- 24 (a) There is a Class 1 distillery license.
- 25 (c) A license holder may:
- 26 (5) (i) conduct guided tours of the licensed premises;
- 27 (ii) at no cost or for a fee, serve to an individual who has attained the legal drinking age and participated in a guided tour of the licensed premises, not more than





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1				1.	a holder of a wholesaler's license;
2 3	pomace brar	ndy; [0	or]	2.	a holder of a permit that is authorized to acquire wine or
4 5	wine or pom	ace br	andy; (3. OR	a person outside the State that is authorized to acquire
6 7	THIS SUBTI	TLE.		4.	AN INDIVIDUAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–219 OF
8	(h)	The annual license fee [is]:			
9		(1)	SHAL	L BE I	DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION; AND
10		(2)	MAY	NOT E	XCEED \$200.
11	2–207.				
12	(b)	Ther	e is a C	lass 5	brewery license.
13	(c)	A lice	ense ho	lder m	ay:
14		(4)	sell a	nd deli	ver beer to:
15 16	beer; [or]		(i)	a holo	der of a wholesaler's license that is authorized to acquire
17 18	OR		(ii)	a pers	son outside of the State that is authorized to acquire beer;
19 20	SUBTITLE;		(III)	AN II	NDIVIDUAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–219 OF THIS
21 22	(d) individual[:	An ir	ndividu	al may	purchase beer under subsection (c)(6) of this section if the
23		(1)	purch	ıases n	ot more than 288 ounces of beer per visit; and
24		(2)]	has a	ttained	d the legal drinking age.
25	(e)	The a	annual	license	e fee [is]:
26		(1)	SHAL	L BE I	DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION; AND

1 **(2)** MAY NOT EXCEED \$1,500. 2 (g) (1)The Comptroller may issue a brewery promotional event permit to a 3 holder of a Class 5 brewery license. 4 (2)Subject to subsection (i) of this section, the permit authorizes the holder to conduct on the premises of the brewery a promotional event at which the holder may, 5 6 with respect to individuals who have attained the legal drinking age: 7 provide samples consisting of a total of not more than 18 fluid (i) 8 ounces to a consumer; and 9 sell beer to individuals who participate in the event. (ii) 10 (3)Subject to subsection (i) of this section, the beer at the event shall be 11 sold by the glass for on-premises consumption only. 12 To obtain a permit, an applicant, at least 15 days before the event, shall **(4)** file with the Comptroller an application that the Comptroller provides. 13 14 (5)A holder of a Class 5 brewery license may not be issued more than 12 15 permits in a calendar year. 16 (6) A single promotional event may not exceed 3 consecutive days. The permit fee is \$25 per event. 17 (7)(h) 18 (1) This subsection does not apply to: 19 the holder of a Class 5 brewery license that held an on-site 20consumption permit and a Class D license or an equivalent license on or before April 1, 2017, and any transferee of those licenses; 2122an individual who held a minority interest in an on-site 23consumption permit and a Class D license or an equivalent license on or before April 1, 242017, and then obtains by transfer a majority interest in the same license or permit; 25 a location in the State for which a completed brewer's notice form was filed with the U.S. Department of Treasury on or before April 1, 2017; 26 27 (iv) a [promotional event conducted under subsection (g) of this section PERMIT ISSUED UNDER § 2–140 OF THIS TITLE; and 2829 (v) a guided tour during which:

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section; or

samples of beer are served under subsection (c)(5) of this

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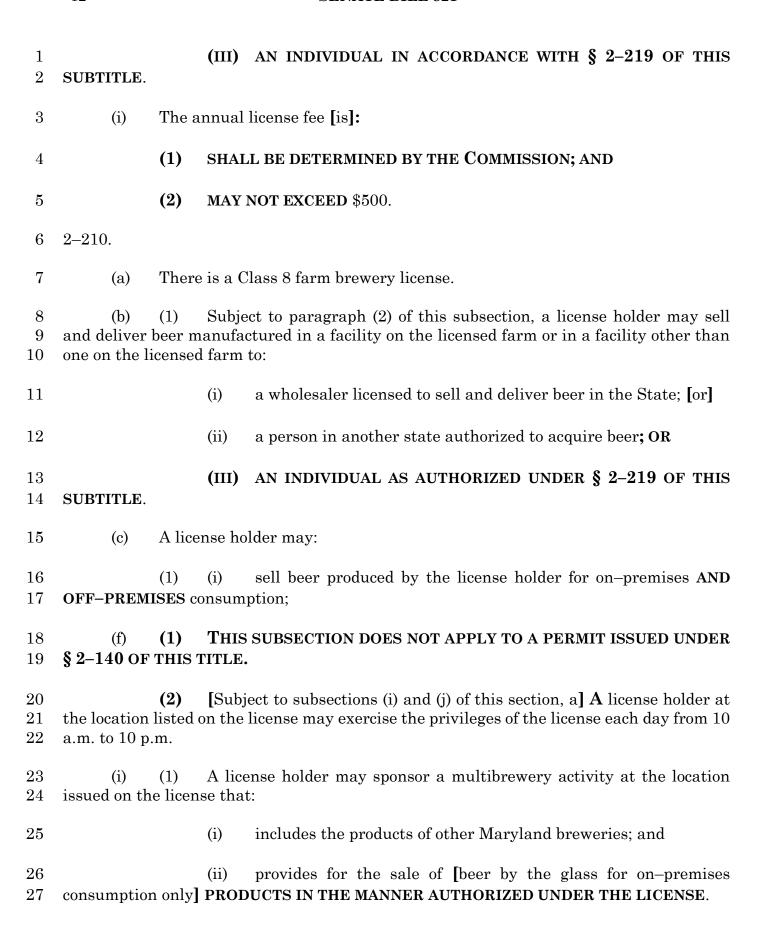
(2)

$\frac{1}{2}$	2. beer is sold for off–premises consumption under subsection (c)(6) of this section.
3	(2) This subsection applies to:
4	(i) a holder of a Class 5 brewery license who:
5 6	$1. \qquad after April 1, 2017, obtains an on-site consumption permit and a Class D beer license or equivalent license for on-premises consumption; or on-premises consumption; on-premise consumption; on-premise $
7 8 9 10	2. not holding a minority interest in an on–site consumption permit and a Class D license or an equivalent license on or before April 1, 2017, obtains a majority interest by transfer in an on–site consumption permit and a Class D license or an equivalent license; and
11 12 13	(ii) notwithstanding paragraph (1)(iii) of this subsection, a manufacturer of beer with more than 1,000,000 barrels of finished production annually alone or in combination with its affiliates.
14 15 16	(3) Notwithstanding any provision in Division II of this article, the sales and serving privileges of an on–site consumption permit and a Class D license or an equivalent license may be exercised only from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Sunday.
17 18	[(i)] (H) All beer offered, served, or sold to a consumer under subsection (c)(5) or (6) [or (g)] of this section shall be:
19	(1) fermented and brewed entirely at the Class 5 brewery; or
20 21	(2) beer of which the license holder or an affiliate of the license holder is the brand owner.
22 23 24	[(j)] (I) (i) The [Comptroller] COMMISSION may issue a refillable container permit for draft beer under § 4–1104 or Subtitle 11 of the various titles in Division II of this article to a holder of a Class 5 brewery license:
25 26	1. on completion of an application form that the [Comptroller] COMMISSION provides; and
27	2. at no cost to the holder of the Class 5 brewery license.
28 29	(ii) A refillable container permit may be renewed each year concurrently with the renewal of the Class 5 brewery license.

The hours of sale for a refillable container permit issued under this

subsection are the same as the hours when a guided tour, a promotional event, or other

1 organized activity at the licensed premises authorized under subsection (c) of this section 2 may be conducted. 3 [(k)] (J) On or before October 1 each year, the [Comptroller] (1) **COMMISSION** shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 4 Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of 5 6 the State Government Article, on the following, identified by jurisdiction and Class 5 license 7 holder: 8 (i) the total beer production of the license holder in the preceding 9 fiscal year; and 10 the total sales of the license holder for on-site consumption (ii) under an on-site consumption permit, a Class D beer license, or an equivalent license in 11 12 the preceding fiscal year. 13 (2)Each holder of a Class 5 license shall report to the [Comptroller] 14 **COMMISSION** the information needed to prepare the annual report under this subsection. 15 The [Comptroller] COMMISSION shall include the information 16 reported under this subsection in the annual report submitted under § 1–316 of this article. 2-209.17 18 There is a Class 7 micro-brewery license. (a) 19 (c) A license holder may: 20 **(4)** store the finished product under an individual storage permit or at a 21 licensed public storage facility for subsequent sale and delivery: 22 to a holder of a wholesaler's license; (i) 23 to an authorized person outside the State; [or] (ii) 24(iii) for shipment back to the micro-brewery location for sale on the 25retail premises; OR 26 TO AN INDIVIDUAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–219 OF THIS (IV) 27 SUBTITLE; 28 (f) A license holder may sell and deliver beer brewed under the license to: (2) 29 (i) a holder of a wholesaler's license; [or] 30 a person outside the State that is authorized to acquire beer; OR (ii)



1 2 3		(2) In a segregated area approved by the [Comptroller] COMMISSION at ation listed on the license, a license holder may store the products of other Maryland ries for the multibrewery activity.					
4	(3)	The multibrewery activity:					
5		(i) may be held from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. each day; and					
6		(ii) may not exceed 3 consecutive days.					
7 8	[(j) (1) license holder.	The Comptroller may issue a brewery promotional event permit to a					
9 10 11		(2) At least 15 days before holding a planned promotional event, the license all obtain a permit from the Comptroller by filing a notice of the promotional event m that the Comptroller provides.					
12 13	(3) listed on the licens	The permit authorizes the license holder to conduct at the location se a promotional event at which the license holder may:					
14 15	consumers; and	(i) provide samples of not more than 6 fluid ounces per brand to					
16 17	participate in the e	(ii) sell beer produced by the license holder to persons who event.					
18 19	(4) consumption only.	The beer at the event shall be sold by the glass and for on-premises					
20 21	(5) calendar year.	The license holder may not be issued more than 12 permits in a					
22	(6)	A single promotional event:					
23		(i) may be held from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. each day; and					
24		(ii) may not exceed 3 consecutive days.					
25	(7)	The permit fee is \$25 per event.]					
26	[(k)] (J)	The annual license fee [is]:					
27	(1)	SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION; AND					
28	(2)	MAY NOT EXCEED \$200.					

- 1 [(1)] **(K)** On or before October 1 each year, the [Comptroller] (1) 2 **COMMISSION** shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 3 Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of 4 the State Government Article, the total beer production of each Class 8 license holder in the preceding fiscal year, identified by jurisdiction and license holder. 5 6 Each holder of a Class 8 license shall report to the [Comptroller] 7 **COMMISSION** the information needed to prepare the annual report required under this 8 subsection. 9 The [Comptroller] COMMISSION shall include the information (3)reported under this subsection in the annual report submitted under § 1-3106 of this 10 11 article. 122-212.13 (b) The holder of a Class 5 brewery license or Class 7 micro-brewery license may apply for and obtain a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license in accordance 14 15 with this paragraph. 16 A holder of a Class 5 brewery license that was selling the holder's (ii) own beer at wholesale in the State as of January 1, 2013, may obtain a Class 7 limited beer 17 wholesaler's license to continue to sell the holder's own beer at wholesale in the same 18 19 location in an amount that is not more than [3,000] **5,000** barrels annually. 20 A holder of a Class 5 brewery license that produces in aggregate (iii) from all its locations not more than [22,500] **45,000** barrels of beer annually may obtain a 2122Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license and distribute not more than [3,000] **5,000** barrels 23of its own beer annually. 24 A holder of one or two Class 7 micro-brewery licenses that produces in 25 aggregate from all of its locations not more than [22,500] 45,000 barrels of beer annually may obtain a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license and distribute beer that: 2627 totals annually not more than [3,000] **5,000** barrels in aggregate (i) 28 from all of its locations; and 29 (ii) has been brewed at the location from where it is distributed. 2-219.30 (A) 31 THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE HOLDER OF A:
 - (2) CLASS 3 WINERY LICENSE; OR

CLASS 2 RECTIFYING LICENSE;

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1	(3) CLASS 6 PUB-BREWERY LICENSE.								
2	(B) A HOLDER OF A MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE MAY SELL AND DELIVER A								
3	PRODUCT PRODUCED UNDER THE HOLDER'S LICENSE TO AN INDIVIDUAL LOCATED								
4	IN THE STATE IF:								
5	(1) THE DELIVERY IS MADE BY AN EMPLOYEE WHO IS AT LEAST 18								
6	YEARS OLD;								
7	(2) THE PURCHASER, OR ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL AT LEAST 21 YEARS								
8	OLD DESIGNATED BY THE PURCHASER, IS PHYSICALLY PRESENT TO RECEIVE THE								
9	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF DELIVERY;								
10	(3) THE PURCHASER PAYS FOR THE PURCHASE AT THE TIME OF THE								
11	ORDER; AND								
12	(4) THE DELIVERER AND THE INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING THE DELIVERY								
13	EACH ENDORSE A DELIVERY FORM THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVES AT THE TIME								
14	OF DELIVERY CERTIFYING THAT:								
15	(I) THE INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING THE DELIVERY CLAIMED TO BE								
16	AT LEAST 21 YEARS OLD AND THE CLAIM WAS SUPPORTED BY DOCUMENTARY								
17	EVIDENCE;								
18	(II) THE INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING THE DELIVERY KNEW THAT IT								
19	IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO BE GIVEN TO AN								
20	INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS; AND								
21	(III) THE DELIVERER EXAMINED THE RECIPIENT'S								
22	IDENTIFICATION.								
23	(C) A HOLDER OF A MANUFACTURER'S LICENSE MAY DIRECTLY SHIP								
24	ALCOHOL TO A CONSUMER ON REQUEST, IF THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZES THE								
25	DIRECT SHIPMENT AFTER DETERMINING THAT:								

- 26 (1) THE SHIPMENT CAN BE COMPLETED SAFELY USING A COMMON CARRIER IN ACCORDANCE WITH OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS; AND
- 28 (2) ALL APPLICABLE SALES AND EXCISE TAXES ARE PAID.
- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to

- each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is
- 2 enacted.