HOUSE BILL 994

By: **Delegate Qi** Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2021 Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Alcoholic Beverages – Retail Delivery – Class A License Holders

- FOR the purpose of authorizing a Class A alcoholic beverages license holder to provide
 retail delivery of alcoholic beverages to a certain purchaser under certain
 circumstances; and generally relating to retail delivery of alcoholic beverages by
 Class A license holders.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 8 Article Alcoholic Beverages
- 9 Section 4–507
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2016 Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

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Article – Alcoholic Beverages

- $15 \quad 4-507.$
- 16 (a) This section does not apply to:

17 (1) the delivery of wine from a direct wine shipper to a consumer using a 18 common carrier in accordance with Title 2, Subtitle 1, Part V of this article; or

- 19 (2) the holder of a common carrier permit in the course of delivering 20 directly shipped wine in accordance with Title 2, Subtitle 1, Part V of this article.
- 21 (b) [Retail] **SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, RETAIL** delivery 22 to a purchaser of alcoholic beverages is prohibited unless:



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1 (1) a retail license holder obtains a letter of authorization from the local 2 licensing board to make deliveries; and

3 (2) the delivery is made from the licensed premises by the retail license 4 holder or an employee of the retail license holder.

5 (C) A CLASS A LICENSE HOLDER ALSO MAY PROVIDE RETAIL DELIVERY TO 6 A PURCHASER OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IF:

7 (1) THE CLASS A LICENSE HOLDER SENDS A WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE
8 LOCAL LICENSING BOARD OF THE CLASS A LICENSE HOLDER'S INTENT TO MAKE
9 DELIVERIES; AND

10(2)THE DELIVERY IS MADE FROM THE LICENSED PREMISES BY THE11CLASS A LICENSE HOLDER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CLASS A LICENSE HOLDER.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 13 1, 2021.