

HOUSE BILL 987

A1

7lr2151

By: **Delegates W. Miller, Arentz, Brooks, Carey, and S. Howard**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2017

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Direct Wine Shipper’s Permit – Qualification Standards**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring an applicant for a direct wine shipper’s permit that is a person
4 licensed outside the State to directly engage in the manufacture of wine in order to
5 qualify for the permit; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article – Alcoholic Beverages
8 Section 2–144
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2016 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – Alcoholic Beverages**

14 2–144.

15 To qualify for a direct wine shipper’s permit, an applicant shall be:

16 (1) a person licensed outside the State to engage in the manufacture of
17 wine **THAT DIRECTLY ENGAGES IN THE MANUFACTURE OF WINE**; or

18 (2) a holder of a Class 3 manufacturer’s license or a Class 4 manufacturer’s
19 license.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
21 1, 2017.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

