

# SENATE BILL 299

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By: **Harford County Senators**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Wine Container Permits**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board to issue a  
4 refillable container permit for wine; providing that the permit authorizes the permit  
5 holder to sell wine for consumption off the licensed premises in a refillable container  
6 under certain circumstances; specifying that the Board may issue a permit for draft  
7 beer or wine or both to license holders who hold certain licenses under certain  
8 circumstances; making a clarifying change; and generally relating to refillable  
9 container permits for wine.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
12 Section 8–103 and 8–213.3  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

### Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

18 8–103.

19 (a) (1) This section applies with respect to draft beer in the following  
20 jurisdictions:

21 (i) Baltimore County;

22 (ii) Carroll County;

23 (iii) Harford County;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 (iv) Howard County;
- 2 (v) Prince George's County; and
- 3 (vi) St. Mary's County.

4 (2) This section applies with respect to wine in **HARFORD COUNTY AND**  
5 Howard County.

6 (b) There is a refillable container permit.

7 (c) With respect to the alcoholic beverages authorized for the local jurisdiction  
8 under subsection (a) of this section, a refillable container permit entitles the permit holder  
9 to sell draft beer or wine, respectively, for consumption off the licensed premises in a  
10 refillable container that meets the standards under § 21-107 of this article.

11 (d) The term of a refillable container permit is the same as that of the underlying  
12 alcoholic beverages license.

13 (e) Except as otherwise specifically provided, the hours of sale for a refillable  
14 container permit are the same as those for the underlying alcoholic beverages license.

15 (f) An applicant who holds an underlying alcoholic beverages license without an  
16 off-sale privilege shall meet the same advertising, posting of notice, and public hearing  
17 requirements as those for the underlying license.

18 (g) A holder of a refillable container permit may refill only a refillable container  
19 that meets the standards under § 21-107 of this article.

20 8-213.3.

21 (a) This section applies only in Harford County.

22 (b) There is a refillable container permit.

23 (c) **(1) [The] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE**  
24 **LIQUOR CONTROL** Board may issue a refillable container permit **FOR DRAFT BEER OR**  
25 **WINE OR BOTH** to a holder of a Class A-1 or A-2 license, a Class B license that has  
26 off-sale privileges, or a Class D license.

27 **(2) (I) A REFILLABLE CONTAINER PERMIT FOR DRAFT BEER MAY**  
28 **BE ISSUED ONLY TO A LICENSE HOLDER THAT IS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO SELL**  
29 **DRAFT BEER.**

1                   **(II) A REFILLABLE CONTAINER PERMIT FOR WINE MAY BE**  
2 **ISSUED ONLY TO A LICENSE HOLDER THAT IS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO SELL**  
3 **WINE.**

4           (d)     The annual permit fee is \$50.

5           (e)     The hours of sale for a refillable container permit:

6                   (1)     Begin at the same time as those for the underlying alcoholic beverages  
7 license; and

8                   (2)     End at midnight.

9           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
10 1, 2015.