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County Executive

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Chairman Board of Liquor License Commissioners

TO ALL CLASS A, B, D LICENSE HOLDERS

Dear Licensee(s):

House Bill 208 (growlers legislation) is effective October 1, 2014, which allows holders of Class A, B, and D Licenses to hold a refillable container permit to sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in certain refillable containers with a capacity of not less than 32 ounces and not more than 128 ounces, and that meets the standards under Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Section 21-107 (2013 supplement).

The requirements of the (growlers) refillable container permit are as follows:

- (1) Be sealable;
- (2) Be branded with an identifying mark of the seller of the container;
- (3) Bear the federal health warning statement required for containers of alcoholic beverages under 27 C.F.R. 16.21;
- (4) Display instructions for cleaning the container; and
- (5) Bear a label stating:
 - (i) Cleaning the container is the responsibility of the consumer; and
 - (ii) The contents are perishable and should be refrigerated immediately and consumed within 48 hours after purchase

A holder of a refillable container permit may refill only a refillable container that was branded by the seller of the container.

The hours of sale for a refillable container permit shall begin at the same time as those for the underlying alcoholic beverage license and **END AT MIDNIGHT**.

If you wish to apply for the (growlers) refillable container permit, there is a form available on our website. The permit is available from the County at no charge to you.

For more information on House Bill 208, you may access it at www.marylandgeneralassembly.com.

Respectfully,
Mike Mohler
Chief Administrator