



**LOCAL BILL MC 17-17:
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - LICENSES**

LOCAL BILL HEARING

DECEMBER 5, 2016

SUPPORT

The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce ("MCCC") **supports MC 17-17**, which authorizes the holder of a Class 7 micro-brewery license in Montgomery County to also hold one Class 5 brewery license.

As the craft brew industry has taken off in Montgomery County, demand for the product grows. The proposed legislation will allow businesses with the Class 7 license to expand by allowing an additional Class 5 license thereby increasing manufacturing and production in Montgomery County. This is good for the business, good for the consumers who are interested in the locally produced beer, and good for the economy.

For these reasons, we request a **favorable report on MC 17-17**.

The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce (MCCC) accelerates the success of our members by advocating for increased business opportunities, strategic investment in infrastructure and balanced tax reform to advance Metro Maryland as a regional, national and global location for business success. Established in 1959, MCCC is an independent non-profit membership organization and is proud to be a Montgomery County Green Certified Business.