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**Residency Requirement for Liquor Licensees Repeal** – For the purpose of eliminating the residency requirement for receiving a City of Annapolis liquor license in accordance with state law; and generally dealing with license applications.

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**CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
City of Annapolis**

**Ordinance 4-24**

**Introduced by: Mayor Buckley  
Co-sponsored by:**

**Referred to:**

Economic Matters Committee

**AN ORDINANCE** concerning

**Residency Requirement for Liquor Licensees Repeal**

**FOR** the purpose of eliminating the residency requirement for receiving a City of Annapolis liquor license in accordance with state law; and generally dealing with license applications.

**BY** repealing and reenacting with amendments the following portions of the Code of the City of Annapolis, 2024 Edition  
**7.12.120**

**SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the Code of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

**Title 7 - BUSINESS LICENSES, TAXES AND REGULATIONS**

**Chapter 7.12 - Alcoholic Beverages**

**Section 7.12.120 - License—Application.**

- A. Every individual, partnership or corporation applying for a license to sell alcoholic beverages in the City shall file an application for a license. The application for the license shall conform with the requirements of the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as may be amended, and, for two years next preceding the filing of the application, ~~the applicant shall have been a resident, a taxpayer and a registered voter of the City and/or Anne Arundel County.~~

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**SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

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