
By: Delegate Edwards

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Garrett County - Alcoholic Beverages**
3 **(Sunday Sales Issuing Fee)**4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Garrett County Board of License Commissioners to
5 charge a certain issuing fee when the Board issues a Sunday sales license; providing
6 for a method to charge the fee under certain circumstances; and generally relating
7 to alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 11-512
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1996 Replacement Volume)
13 (As enacted by Chapter_____ (S.B. 114) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997)14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:16 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

17 11-512.

18 (a) This section applies only in Garrett County.

19 (b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subtitle and except on
20 Sundays and New Year's Day, holders of any class of on- or off-sale licenses issued under
21 this article may sell the alcoholic beverages authorized under their respective license from
22 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day, but may not sell alcoholic beverages between the hours
23 of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. on any day of the week or, unless authorized under subsection (c) of
24 this section, at any time on Sunday after 2 a.m.25 (2) The provisions of this subsection apply to a holder of a Class E
26 steamboat license issued by the State Comptroller's Office for use on all State waters
27 located within the County.28 (3) However, this section is subject to the provisions of § 11-402(j) of this
29 title regarding sales on New Year's Eve or New Year's Day regardless of the day of the
30 week on which December 31 and January 1 fall.

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1 (c) (1) The provisions of this subsection apply only in election districts 11 and
2 15. In those election districts the voters have approved Sunday sales in the referendum
3 authorized by law in November 1996.

4 (2) This subsection only applies to on-premises sales by holders of Class C
5 service club licenses and, subject to paragraph (4) of this subsection, holders of Class B
6 licenses.

7 (3) Sunday sales may begin, where permitted, at 1 p.m. and continue until
8 10 p.m.

9 (4) (i) This paragraph does not apply to a holder of a Class C service club
10 license.

11 (ii) Sunday sales may be made only when the consumer places an order
12 for a meal simultaneously or prior to placing an order for an alcoholic beverage or the
13 consumer is otherwise entitled to a meal on the premises as part of a prearranged event,
14 such as a banquet, where the alcoholic beverage is served. Bar or counter sales may be
15 made as long as the consumer complies with the requirement of this paragraph.

16 (5) In addition to the usual license fee, the holder of a license who wants to
17 provide Sunday sales and who is otherwise eligible to provide Sunday sales under this
18 subsection shall pay an additional \$250 for the privilege of Sunday sales.

19 (6) AT THE TIME THE LICENSE IS ISSUED, THE BOARD SHALL CHARGE A
20 \$250 ISSUING FEE.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if the Board of License
22 Commissioners of Garrett County issues any Sunday sales licenses, as provided in §
23 11-512 of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, before the effective date of this
24 Act, the Board may charge the issuing fee at the time the license is first renewed.

25 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 October 1, 1997.