

CF SB 539

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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Carroll County - Alcoholic Beverages**
3 **(Sunday Sales Sitting at a Bar or Counter)**

4 FOR the purpose of exempting certain Carroll County alcoholic beverages licensees from
5 the general prohibition on permitting the sale of alcoholic beverages from a bar or
6 counter on Sunday; clarifying language; and generally relating to alcoholic
7 beverages in Carroll County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 11-403(a)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1996 Replacement Volume)

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

15 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

16 11-403.

17 (a) (1) A retail dealer holding a Class B or C license may not sell any alcoholic
18 beverage at a bar or counter on Sunday.

19 (2) (I) THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY IN THE CITY OF
20 ANNAPOLIS. [Provided, that in]

21 (II) IN Anne Arundel County [it shall be lawful to] A LICENSEE MAY
22 sell, vend, serve, deliver and/or A PATRON MAY consume any alcoholic beverages
23 permitted by law to be sold [in the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth

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1 districts of Anne Arundel County] at any bar or counter on any day on which the sale of
2 alcoholic beverages is permitted by law.

3 [(4)] (3) (i) Except for the Class B Sunday off-sale license prohibition in
4 the 47th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City as provided for in § 6-201(d) of this
5 article, in Baltimore City [and Baltimore County,] a Class B and a Class C beer and light
6 wine or beer, wine and liquor licensee may sell alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on
7 Sunday.

8 [(iv)] (II) 1. Subject to the conditions provided in this subparagraph, in
9 Baltimore City, a holder of a Class A retail alcoholic beverages license may exercise the
10 off-sale license privilege on the Sundays that fall between Thanksgiving Day and New
11 Year's Day from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.

12 2. The holder of a Class A retail off-sale license may exercise
13 the additional privilege authorized by this subparagraph in any year in which a
14 supplementary license fee of \$25 has been paid prior to October 1 for each day the
15 additional privilege is to be exercised.

16 (4) (I) THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY IN BALTIMORE COUNTY.

17 (II) A CLASS B AND A CLASS C BEER AND LIGHT WINE OR BEER,
18 WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSEE MAY SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT A BAR OR
19 COUNTER ON SUNDAY.

20 [(ii)] (III) [In Baltimore County, between] BETWEEN the hours of 7
21 a.m. and 9 p.m., a holder of any class of retail off-sale alcoholic beverages license may
22 exercise the off-sale license privilege on the Sunday preceding Christmas Day and on the
23 Sunday preceding New Year's Day.

24 [(iii)] (IV) [In Baltimore County, a] A holder of a Class A beer and
25 light wine or beer, wine and liquor license may exercise the off-sale license privilege on
26 the 2 Sundays preceding Passover if:

27 1. That holder does not exercise the off-sale privilege on the 2
28 Saturdays preceding Passover;

29 2. The off-premises sales are conducted on those Sundays
30 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 12 midnight; and

31 3. The sales are limited to alcoholic beverages that are "kosher
32 for Passover".

33 [(3)] (5) [Provided that in] IN Caroline County a Class B and Class C beer
34 or beer, wine and liquor licensee may sell alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on
35 Sunday.

36 (6) THE PROHIBITION SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
37 SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IN CARROLL COUNTY.

38 [(5)] (7) In Prince George's County, a Class B and Class C beer or beer,
39 wine and liquor licensee may sell alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on Sunday when
40 December 24 and 31 fall on a Sunday.

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1 [(6)] (8) In Washington County, a Class A, Class B, and Class C on-sale
2 licensee may sell alcoholic beverages on Sunday from 12 noon to 12 midnight.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
4 October 1, 1997.