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By: Washington County Delegation Introduced and read first time: February 11, 1998 Assigned to: Economic Matters A BILL ENTITLED 1 AN ACT concerning 2 Washington County - Alcoholic Beverages - Sunday Hours 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing in Washington County certain classes of alcoholic beverages licensees to sell alcoholic beverages during certain hours on Sundays 4 5 preceding federal holidays that fall on the next Monday. 6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages 7 Section 11-403(a) 8 Annotated Code of Maryland 9 10 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement) 11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 13 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages 14 11-403. 15 A retail dealer holding a Class B or C license may not sell any (a) (1) alcoholic beverage at a bar or counter on Sunday. This paragraph does not apply in the City of Annapolis. 17 (2) (i) 18 In Anne Arundel County a licensee may sell, vend, serve, deliver (ii) 19 and/or a patron may consume any alcoholic beverages permitted by law to be sold at 20 any bar or counter on any day on which the sale of alcoholic beverages is permitted by 21 law. Except for the Class B Sunday off-sale license prohibition in 22 23 the 47th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City as provided for in § 6-201(d) of 24 this article, in Baltimore City a Class B and a Class C beer and light wine or beer, 25 wine and liquor licensee may sell alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on Sunday. Subject to the conditions provided in this subparagraph, in 1.

27 Baltimore City, a holder of a Class A retail alcoholic beverages license may exercise

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1 the off-sale license privilege on the Sundays that fall between Thanksgiving Day and

| 2 | New Year's Day from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. |
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| 5 | 2. The holder of a Class A retail off-sale license may exercise the additional privilege authorized by this subparagraph in any year in which a supplementary license fee of \$25 has been paid prior to October 1 for each day the additional privilege is to be exercised. |
| 7 | (4) (i) This paragraph applies only in Baltimore County. |
| 8 9 | (ii) A Class B and a Class C beer and light wine or beer, wine and liquor licensee may sell alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on Sunday. |
| 12 | (iii) Between the hours of 7 a.m. and 9 p.m., a holder of any class of retail off-sale alcoholic beverages license may exercise the off-sale license privilege on the Sunday preceding Christmas Day and on the Sunday preceding New Year's Day. |
| | (iv) A holder of a Class A beer and light wine or beer, wine and liquor license may exercise the off-sale license privilege on the 2 Sundays preceding Passover if: |
| 17 18 | 1. That holder does not exercise the off-sale privilege on the 2 Saturdays preceding Passover; |
| 19 20 | 2. The off-premises sales are conducted on those Sundays between the hours of 6 a.m. and 12 midnight; and |
| 21 22 | The sales are limited to alcoholic beverages that are "kosher for Passover". |
| 23 24 | (5) In Caroline County a Class B and Class C beer or beer, wine and liquor licensee may sell alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on Sunday. |
| 25 26 | (6) The prohibition specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply in Carroll County. |
| | (7) In Prince George's County, a Class B and Class C beer or beer, wine and liquor licensee may sell alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on Sunday when December 24 and 31 fall on a Sunday. |
| 30 | (8) In Washington County[,]: |
| | (I) [a] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A Class A, Class B, and Class C on-sale licensee may sell alcoholic beverages on Sunday from 12 noon to 12 midnight. |
| | (II) WHEN A FEDERAL HOLIDAY FALLS ON A MONDAY, A CLASS A CLASS B, AND CLASS C ON-SALE LICENSEE MAY SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM 12 NOON ON THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SUNDAY TO 2 A.M. ON MONDAY. |

- 1 (9) In Garrett County, Sunday sales where permitted, are governed by 2 subsection (b)(5) of this section, § 11-402 of this subtitle, and § 11-512 of this title.
- 3 SECTION 2. 4 October 1, 1998. SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect