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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Bottle Clubs**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting bottle clubs in Frederick County from conducting
4 certain activities concerning alcoholic beverages and other beverages; making
5 certain prohibitions against nudity and sexual displays apply to bottle clubs;
6 establishing ~~a penalty~~ certain penalties for a violation of this Act; defining a
7 certain term; and generally relating to bottle clubs in Frederick County.

8 BY renumbering
9 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 20-105
11 to be Section 20-106
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

14 BY adding to
15 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
16 Section 20-105
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
20 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 20-105 of Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages of the
21 Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 20-106.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
23 read as follows:

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Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

2 20-105.

3 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION, "BOTTLE CLUB" MEANS ANY ~~CLUB~~
4 ESTABLISHMENT THAT SERVES, GIVES, OR ALLOWS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO BE
5 CONSUMED BY PATRONS AFTER LEGAL CLOSING HOURS FOR ESTABLISHMENTS
6 LICENSED UNDER § 11-303 OF THIS ARTICLE FROM SUPPLIES THAT THE PATRONS
7 PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED OR RESERVED.

8 (2) "BOTTLE CLUB" DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY ESTABLISHMENT IF A
9 LICENSE FOR THE PREMISES HAD BEEN ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
10 ARTICLE.

11 (B) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN FREDERICK COUNTY.

12 (C) A BOTTLE CLUB MAY NOT GIVE, SERVE, DISPENSE, KEEP, OR ALLOW TO BE
13 CONSUMED ON ITS PREMISES, OR ON PREMISES UNDER ITS CONTROL OR
14 POSSESSION, ANY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, SETUPS, OR OTHER COMPONENT PARTS
15 OR MIXED ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AFTER LEGAL CLOSING HOURS FOR
16 ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER § 11-303 OF THIS ARTICLE.

17 (D) THE PROHIBITIONS AGAINST NUDITY AND SEXUAL DISPLAYS UNDER §
18 10-405 OF THIS ARTICLE APPLY TO BOTTLE CLUBS.

19 (E) A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS A MISDEMEANOR AND, ON CONVICTION,
20 A FINE OF UP TO \$10,000 OR IMPRISONMENT FOR UP TO 2 YEARS OR BOTH MAY BE
21 IMPOSED.

22 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 July 1, 1998.