

HOUSE BILL 929

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1999 Regular Session
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CF SB 286

By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 12, 1999

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - Nudity and Sexual Displays - Restrictions**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from operating a certain place of
4 entertainment within a certain distance of a residential dwelling unit in Prince
5 George's County; providing for a penalty; and generally relating to obscene
6 performances in Prince George's County.

7 BY adding to
8 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
9 Section 418C
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

14 **Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

15 418C.

16 (A) THIS SECTION ONLY APPLIES TO PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

17 (B) A PERSON MAY NOT OPERATE A PLACE OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT
18 WITHIN 500 FEET OF A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNIT WHERE THE ENTERTAINMENT
19 IS OF THE TYPE LISTED IN ARTICLE 2B, § 10-405(C) THROUGH (F) OF THE CODE.

20 (C) AN OWNER, LESSEE, OR MANAGER OF ANY PLACE OF PUBLIC
21 ENTERTAINMENT WHO KNOWINGLY PERMITS THE SAME TO BE USED FOR
22 ENTERTAINMENT OF THE TYPE LISTED IN ARTICLE 2B, § 10-405(C) THROUGH (F) OF
23 THE CODE OR WHO ASSENTS TO ITS USE FOR ANY SUCH PURPOSE IN VIOLATION OF
24 THIS SECTION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION MAY BE
25 FINED UP TO \$5,000 OR IMPRISONED FOR UP TO 1 YEAR OR BOTH.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 October 1, 1999.