
By: **Delegates Bozman, Conway, and McClenahan**
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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Worcester County - Alcoholic Beverages - Price Discount**

3 FOR the purpose of altering in Worcester County a certain price discount that the
4 Worcester County Liquor Control Board is required to give to licensees on the
5 sale of certain alcoholic beverages; and generally relating to the sale of alcoholic
6 beverages in Worcester County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
9 Section 6-301(y)(1)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2001 Replacement Volume)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
14 Section 6-301(y)(8)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2001 Replacement Volume)

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

19 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

20 6-301.

21 (y) (1) This subsection applies only in Worcester County.

22 (8) (I) Every licensee shall purchase all wines and liquors, except light
23 wine and beer, sold by them from the Worcester County Liquor Control Board
24 dispensaries. [The licensee shall receive a 15 percent discount from the retail sales
25 price or any special sale price or discount price, whichever is lower. However, the price
26 the Board charges to the licensees may not be lower than 10 percent above the cost
27 the Liquor Control Board must pay for the merchandise to wholesalers.]

1 (II) THE PRICE THE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD CHARGES TO THE
2 LICENSEES FOR SPIRITS SHALL BE AT LEAST 10% ABOVE THE STANDARD BOTTLE
3 PRICE DETERMINED BY THE CURRENT EDITION OF THE MARYLAND BEVERAGE
4 JOURNAL BUT MAY NOT EXCEED 20% ABOVE THAT PRICE.

5 (III) THE STANDARD BOTTLE PRICE IS THE PRICE BEFORE A
6 DISCOUNT IS APPLIED.

7 (IV) All licensees may purchase beer and light wine from licensed
8 wholesalers.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 July 1, 2002.