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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **St. Mary's County - Alcohol Beverage Board - Chairman**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County to  
4 elect a chairman from among the members of the Board; providing for a delayed  
5 effective date; and generally relating to the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's  
6 County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
9 Section 15-102(a)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2001 Replacement Volume)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
14 Section 15-102(b)  
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:

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**Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

2 15-102.

3 (a) (1) There is a Board of License Commissioners in St. Mary's County  
4 known as the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County.

5 (2) The Board consists of 5 members.

6 (3) The Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall  
7 appoint the members of the Board as follows:

8 (i) 1 shall be appointed from each of the County Commissioner  
9 districts; and

10 (ii) 1 shall be appointed at large.

11 (4) To qualify for appointment to the Board a person:

12 (i) Shall be of good moral character and integrity;

13 (ii) Shall be at least 21 years of age; and

14 (iii) Shall be a resident of the Commissioner district at the time of  
15 appointment and during the term of office.

16 (5) (i) Except for the new Board appointed in accordance with this  
17 section, the term of a member is 4 years.

18 (ii) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the  
19 terms provided for members of the Board on January 1, 1986.

20 (iii) A member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve the remainder  
21 of the unserved term. A member so appointed is eligible to serve the next consecutive  
22 term if otherwise qualified and appointed.

23 (iv) A member may not serve more than 2 consecutive terms.

24 (6) (i) The Governor may remove a member for incompetence,  
25 misconduct, or willful neglect of a duty required by law.

26 (ii) The removal procedure is as provided in § 15-110 of this article.

27 (b) [The member who is appointed at large is the Chairman] THE BOARD  
28 SHALL ELECT A CHAIRMAN FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
30 January 1, 2004.

