
By: **Harford County Delegation**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County Liquor Control Board - Service of Summonses by Inspectors**
3 **of the Board**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing, in Harford County, summonses for witnesses issued
5 by the Liquor Control Board for the purpose of hearings and inquiries that the
6 board is authorized to hold or make to be served by inspectors employed by the
7 board; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Harford County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 16-410(a)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
15 Section 16-410(b)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

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Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

2 16-410.

3 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

4 (2) "Board" means the Comptroller, the boards of license commissioners,
5 or the members of the boards, as appropriate.

6 (3) "County" means any county and Baltimore City.

7 (4) "Sheriff" means the sheriff of any county or the Baltimore City Police
8 Department.9 (b) (1) For the purpose of all hearings and inquiries which the board is
10 authorized to hold and make, the board may issue summonses for witnesses, and
11 administer to them oaths or affirmations.

12 (2) (i) All summonses shall be served by the sheriff, except that:

13 1. In the City of Annapolis, summonses may also be served
14 by the Annapolis Police Department;15 2. In Anne Arundel County, summonses may also be served
16 by inspectors employed by the Board and by the Anne Arundel County Police
17 Department; [and]18 3. In Baltimore City, summonses may also be served by
19 inspectors employed by the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore
20 City; AND21 4. IN HARFORD COUNTY, SUMMONSES MAY ALSO BE SERVED
22 BY INSPECTORS EMPLOYED BY THE HARFORD COUNTY LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD.23 (ii) If any witness summoned refuses or neglects to attend, or if
24 attending, refuses to testify, the official issuing the summons shall report the facts to
25 the circuit court for the county. The court shall proceed by attachment against the
26 witness in all respects as if the witness summoned to appear in the court in a case
27 pending before it had neglected or refused to do so.28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 October 1, 2004.

