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ENROLLED BILL

-- Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Economic Matters --

Introduced by Senators Exum, Britt, Currie, Green, Lawlah, and Pinsky

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____M.

President.

CHAPTER____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Municipal Corporations - Regulation of Nudity and Sexual Displays

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the legislative body of every each municipal

- 4 corporation to adopt an ordinance for the licensing, control, location, or
- 5 maintenance within its jurisdiction of a business establishment that allows on
- 6 its premises certain activities involving nudity and sexual displays; providing a
- 7 certain penalty; and generally relating to the regulation by municipal
- 8 corporations of activities involving nudity and sexual displays.

9 BY adding to

- 10 Article 23A Corporations Municipal
- 11 Section 4A
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article 23A - Corporations - Municipal

2 4A.

3 (A) THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A *EACH* MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY
4 ADOPT AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LICENSING, CONTROL, LOCATION, OR
5 MAINTENANCE WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION OF A BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT THAT
6 ALLOWS ON ITS PREMISES ANY ACTIVITY INVOLVING NUDITY AND SEXUAL DISPLAYS
7 LISTED IN ARTICLE 2B, § 10-405(C) THROUGH (F) OF THE CODE.

8 (B) (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER THIS
9 SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO
10 <u>IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS AND</u> A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$25
11 <u>LESS THAN \$500</u>.

12 (2) EACH DAY ON WHICH A VIOLATION CONTINUES IS A SEPARATE 13 OFFENSE.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 15 July 1, 2005.