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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Municipal Corporations - Regulation of Nudity and Sexual Displays**

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

16 **Article 23A - Corporations - Municipal**

17 4A.

18 (A) THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY ADOPT AN
19 ORDINANCE FOR THE LICENSING, CONTROL, LOCATION, OR MAINTENANCE WITHIN
20 ITS JURISDICTION OF A BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT THAT ALLOWS ON ITS PREMISES
21 ANY ACTIVITY INVOLVING NUDITY AND SEXUAL DISPLAYS LISTED IN ARTICLE 2B,
22 § 10-405(C) THROUGH (F) OF THE CODE.

23 (B) (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER THIS
24 SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE
25 OF NOT MORE THAN \$25.

26 (2) EACH DAY ON WHICH A VIOLATION CONTINUES IS A SEPARATE
27 OFFENSE.

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