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By: Senator Colburn

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Dorchester County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Chain Grocery Stores

- 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Dorchester
- 4 County to issue a certain alcoholic beverages license to a chain grocery store;
- 5 and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Dorchester County.
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 7 Article 2B Alcoholic Beverages
- 8 Section 9-102(a-1)
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (2005 Replacement Volume)
- 11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 13 Article 2B Alcoholic Beverages
- 14 9-102.
- 15 (a-1) (1) (I) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
- 16 SUBSECTION, A Class A, B, or D beer license, beer and wine license, or beer, wine and
- 17 liquor license, except by way of renewal, may not be granted, transferred, or issued to,
- 18 or for use in conjunction with, or upon the premises of any business establishment of
- 19 the type commonly known as chain stores, supermarkets, or discount houses.
- 20 (II) This subsection does not apply to or affect any business
- 21 establishment already holding such a license or the possibility of such licensee having
- 22 the license transferred to a similar type of business establishment.
- 23 (III) Discount houses do not include licensees who sell at discount
- 24 prices.
- 25 (2) IN DORCHESTER COUNTY, THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
- 26 MAY ISSUE A CLASS A, B, OR D BEER LICENSE, BEER AND WINE LICENSE, OR BEER,
- 27 WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE TO A CHAIN GROCERY STORE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 2 July 1, 2006.