# **CHAPTER 397**

### (House Bill 382)

AN ACT concerning

#### **Charles County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Penalty for Late Renewal**

FOR the purpose of establishing in Charles County a certain date that an application for the renewal of an alcoholic beverages license is due; establishing a certain daily penalty for filing an application after a certain date; specifying the maximum amount that a person may be penalized under this Act; <u>establishing a deadline for submitting a renewal application</u>; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Charles County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages Section 10–301(i) Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

#### **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

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(i) (1) In Charles County, the Board of License Commissioners may not renew any license as authorized in subsection (a) of this section unless there is presented to the Board a certification from the:

[(1)] (I) Office of the County Supervisor of Assessments showing that the value of the merchandise, fixtures, and stock-in-trade for the business for which the application is made for the calendar year next preceding the year the license is to be issued;

[(2)] (II) Treasurer of the county showing that there are no unpaid taxes due from the applicant to the county, incorporated city, or town where the licensed premises is to be located; and

[(3)] (III) Treasurer of the county showing there are no unpaid taxes due from the applicant to the county or the State of Maryland on the merchandise, fixtures and stock-in-trade where the licensed premises is to be located.

(2) (I) A RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE IS DUE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31 OF EACH YEAR.

(II) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A PERSON WHO FILES A RENEWAL APPLICATION AFTER MARCH 31 IS SUBJECT TO A <u>CHARGE PENALTY</u> OF \$50 FOR EACH DAY THAT THE APPLICATION IS LATE.

(III) THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT THAT THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY <del>FINE</del> <u>CHARGE</u> A PERSON UNDER THIS <del>SUBSECTION</del> <u>PARAGRAPH</u> IS \$500 PER RENEWAL APPLICATION.

## (IV) A RENEWAL APPLICATION MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOLLOWING MARCH 31.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

## Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2007.