CHAPTER 464

(House Bill 1245)

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County - Alcoholic Beverages - Board of License Commissioners - Inspectors

FOR the purpose of altering the annual salaries of the chairman and other members of the Board of License Commissioners of Anne Arundel County; altering the annual salaries and monthly expenses of the part–time chief inspector and part–time inspectors of the Board; altering the annual salary of the attorney for the Board; authorizing the Board to increase the number of part–time inspectors; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent chairman or other members of the Board; and generally relating to the members and employees of the Board of License Commissioners of Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 15–109(c) and 15–112(c)

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

15-109.

(c) In Anne Arundel County the chairman of the Board of License Commissioners shall receive annually as salary not more than [\$15,000] **\$18,000**; each other member of the Board shall receive annually as salaries not more than [\$8,500] **\$15,000**, plus reimbursement for expenses reasonably incurred by them.

15-112.

(c) (1) This subsection applies only in Anne Arundel County. Except for paragraph (2) of this subsection, it does not apply in the City of Annapolis.

- (2) (i) This paragraph applies only in the City of Annapolis.
- (ii) The Mayor, Counsellor and Aldermen of Annapolis may make and enforce regulations and restrictions, in addition to, or in substitution of, those contained in this article, but not inconsistent therewith, as in their judgment would give the municipality more effective control of each of the places of business.
- (3) In addition to the powers given to the Board in subsection (a) of this section, the Board may employ one part—time chief inspector at an annual salary of [\$8,000] **\$10,000**, and [16] **19** part—time inspectors at an annual salary of [\$5,000] **\$6,000** each. In addition to this salary, each of the inspectors shall receive a monthly expense of [\$150] **\$300** per month, subject to the approval of the State Comptroller.

(4) The [17] **20** inspectors shall:

- (i) Have all the powers of a peace officer or a constable or sheriff of this State;
- (ii) Make oath to faithfully perform the duties entrusted to them, as provided in Article I, § 9 of the Constitution of this State; and
- (iii) Furnish bond in the penalty of \$2,000 to the Board and the County Council jointly, conditioned "that inspector shall well and faithfully execute the office in all things appertaining thereto". The cost of the bond shall be paid by the county. The inspectors for Anne Arundel County are known as the "liquor inspectors for Anne Arundel County".

(5) The Board of License Commissioners:

- (i) May employ up to two full-time administrators whose annual salaries shall be fixed by the Board as in a general Anne Arundel County classified salary schedule, within pay grade 16;
- (ii) Shall employ a full-time secretary whose annual salary shall be fixed by the Board as in a general county classified salary schedule, within pay grade 13; and
- (iii) Shall employ an attorney at an annual salary of [\$8,000] **\$12,000**.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the chairman and other members of the Board of License Commissioners of Anne Arundel County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the chairman and other members of the Board of License Commissioners of Anne Arundel County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2007.