CHAPTER 721

(House Bill 1364)

AN ACT concerning

Charles County - Alcoholic Beverages - License Suspensions

FOR the purpose of repealing the provision preventing the suspension of an alcoholic beverages license in Charles County from taking effect on certain days under certain circumstances; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Charles County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16-507(j)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16-507(i)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16-507(i)(5)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

16-507.

(j) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of this Code to the contrary, in Charles County, the Board of License Commissioners may impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 or suspend an alcoholic beverage license, for any violation of the alcoholic beverage laws affecting Charles County. All moneys collected under this subsection shall be deposited into the general funds of the county.

- [(4) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, if a license is suspended for 4 days or less, then the suspension may not be on a Friday, Saturday, or Sunday.
- (ii) If a license is suspended for 4 days or less and the licensed premises is only open on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, or a combination of those days, then the suspension may be on a Friday, Saturday, or Sunday.]
- [(5)] **(4)** A fine levied by the Charles County Board of License Commissioners under this subsection shall be levied in accordance with the provisions of § 10–1001 of the State Government Article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 19, 2009.