

# HOUSE BILL 1127

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages – Landlords – Premises That Violate Minimum Distance**  
3 **Requirement from Schools or Churches**

4 FOR the purpose of making it a misdemeanor for a landlord to rent out a premises to  
5 be used for the sale of alcoholic beverages if the landlord knows or has reason to  
6 know that the use would violate a certain minimum distance requirement  
7 between a licensed premises and a church or school; providing a penalty; and  
8 generally relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages.

9 BY adding to  
10 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
11 Section 16–509.1  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

16 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

17 **16–509.1.**

18 **(A) A LANDLORD MAY NOT RENT OUT A PREMISES TO BE USED FOR THE**  
19 **SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IF THE LANDLORD KNOWS OR HAS REASON TO**  
20 **KNOW THAT THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON THE PREMISES WOULD**  
21 **VIOLATE A PROVISION IN THIS ARTICLE THAT REQUIRES A MINIMUM DISTANCE**  
22 **TO BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN A LICENSED PREMISES AND A CHURCH OR**  
23 **SCHOOL.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A**  
2 **MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING**  
3 **\$1,000.**

4           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
5 October 1, 2011.