## **HOUSE BILL 224**

Q82 lr 1731CF SB 333 By: Delegate Beitzel Introduced and read first time: January 26, 2012 Assigned to: Ways and Means Committee Report: Favorable with amendments House action: Adopted Read second time: March 20, 2012 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Garrett County - Hotel Rental Tax Rate FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "transient charge", as it relates to Garrett County, for purposes of certain provisions of law authorizing certain counties to impose a hotel rental tax on certain transient charges collected by certain hotels; altering the maximum hotel rental tax rate in Garrett County; and generally relating to the hotel rental tax rate in Garrett County. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions Section 9-301(f) and 9-304(b)(8)Annotated Code of Maryland (2011 Replacement Volume) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions 9–301. Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, "transient charge" means a hotel charge for sleeping accommodations for a period not

## EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

exceeding 4 consecutive months.

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Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 2 3	(2) <u>In Frederick County</u> , <u>Garrett County</u> , and <u>Washington County</u> , "transient charge" means a hotel charge for sleeping accommodations for a period not exceeding 30 days.
4 5	(3) In Carroll County, "transient charge" means a hotel charge for sleeping accommodations for a period not exceeding 25 days.
6 7	(4) "Transient charge" does not include any hotel charge for services or for accommodations other than sleeping accommodations.
8	9–304.
9	(b) An authorized county may not set a hotel rental tax rate that exceeds:
10	(8) <b>[</b> 5% <b>] 6</b> % in Garrett County;
11 12	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October July 1, 2012.
	Approved:
	Governor.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.
	President of the Senate.