

HOUSE BILL 172

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By: **Charles County Delegation**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County – Alcoholic Beverages Licensees – Nonalcoholic Items –**
3 **Hours of Sale**

4 FOR the purpose of specifying the days and hours during which alcoholic beverages
5 licensees in Charles County may sell nonalcoholic items; making stylistic
6 changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licensees in Charles
7 County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 11–509
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

16 11–509.

17 (a) **(1) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN CHARLES COUNTY.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

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



1 **(2)** [In Charles County, notwithstanding] **NOTWITHSTANDING** any
2 other provisions of this subtitle, the hours of sale for alcoholic beverages shall be as
3 follows:

4 **[(1)] (I)** Monday, 6 a.m. to Tuesday, 2 a.m.

5 **[(2)] (II)** Tuesday, 6 a.m. to Wednesday, 2 a.m.

6 **[(3)] (III)** Wednesday, 6 a.m. to Thursday, 2 a.m.

7 **[(4)] (IV)** Thursday, 6 a.m. to Friday, 2 a.m.

8 **[(5)] (V)** Friday, 6 a.m. to Saturday, 2 a.m.

9 **[(6)] (VI)** Saturday, 6 a.m. to Sunday, 2 a.m.

10 **[(7)] (VII)** Sunday, 6 a.m. to Sunday, midnight.

11 **(3) AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSEE MAY SELL**
12 **NONALCOHOLIC ITEMS ON:**

13 **(I) MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, FROM 5 A.M. TO 2 A.M.**
14 **THE NEXT DAY; AND**

15 **(II) SUNDAY, FROM 6 A.M. TO MIDNIGHT.**

16 (b) It is unlawful for any licensee, his agent or employee, to sell any alcoholic
17 beverages on any day between the hours of 2 o'clock a.m. and 6 o'clock a.m. and that
18 part of any premises where alcoholic beverages are sold or displayed shall be open only
19 during the hours of sale for alcoholic beverages set out in subsection (a) of this section.
20 In the case of any on-sale class of license, all bottles and containers must be removed
21 from the table on or before the hours of closing indicated in subsection (a) of this
22 section. It is unlawful to sell any alcoholic beverages between midnight, Sunday, and 6
23 o'clock a.m. Monday.

24 (c) The hours established in this section for the sale of alcoholic beverages
25 are hereby declared to be in accordance with Eastern Standard Time whenever such
26 time is in effect or in accordance with daylight time whenever such time is in effect.
27 Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a
28 misdemeanor and upon trial and conviction shall be subjected to a fine of not less than
29 fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00), or may be
30 confined in the county jail or in the house of correction for not less than sixty days, or
31 both, in the discretion of the court.

32 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,** That this Act shall take effect
33 July 1, 2013.