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By: **Senator Mathias**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset County – Alcoholic Beverages – Selling Near Schools, Places of**
3 **Worship, Public Libraries, and Youth Centers**

4 FOR the purpose of altering a certain exception to the prohibition against the Somerset
5   County Board of License Commissioners approving a license to sell alcoholic
6   beverages for certain establishments located within 300 feet of a school, church or
7   other place of worship, public library, or youth center; and generally relating to the
8   issuance of a license to sell alcoholic beverages in Somerset County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10   Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
11   Section 9–220
12   Annotated Code of Maryland
13   (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

16   **Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

17 9–220.

18   (a)   (1)   Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, in Somerset
19 County, the Board of License Commissioners may not approve any license to sell alcoholic
20 beverages within a 300 foot measurement from the nearest point of the building that is the
21 proposed establishment for which the license is requested to the nearest point of the
22 property line of a school, church or other place of worship, public library, or youth center.

23   (2)   Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to:

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

1   (i)   A licensed establishment that existed before the school, church
2   or other place of worship, public library, or youth center was built within 300 feet of the
3   licensed establishment; and

4   (ii)   An establishment **[**whose**]** **HAVING ANY** previous owner **WHO**
5   was the holder of a license to sell alcoholic beverages.

6   (b)   This section may not apply to the issuance of special or temporary licenses.

7   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8   October 1, 2015.