Chapter 234

(House Bill 814)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Annual Fees

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of License Commissioners for St. Mary's County, for a certain licensing period, to waive the entire amount of the annual fee for certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in St. Mary's County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That, notwithstanding any other law, for the 2021–2022 licensing period, the Board of License Commissioners for St. Mary's County shall waive the entire amount of the annual fee for any alcoholic beverages license issued by the county that permits the holder to sell alcoholic beverages for on–premises consumption only at a bar or restaurant if the license holder paid the license fee for the 2020–2021 licensing period.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted. It shall remain effective through June 30, 2023, and, at the end of June 30, 2023, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, May 18, 2021.