

HOUSE BILL 929

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HB 851/25 – ENT & W&M

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CF SB 450

By: **Carroll County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2026

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 9, 2026

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Carroll County – Office of Permits and Inspections – Denial of Commercial**
3 **Permit or License for Unpaid Personal Property Taxes**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~prohibiting~~ authorizing the Carroll County Office of Permits and
5 Inspections ~~from issuing or renewing to deny the issuance or renewal of~~ a commercial
6 license or permit in the county if the applicant has unpaid personal property taxes
7 except under certain circumstances; authorizing the Carroll County Office of Permits
8 and Inspections to issue or renew a commercial license or permit if the applicant
9 submits certain evidence that the applicant has paid any previously unpaid personal
10 property taxes; and generally relating to the issuance or renewal of commercial
11 licenses and permits in Carroll County.

12 BY adding to
13 Article – Local Government
14 Section 12–906
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2013 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Local Government**

20 **12–906.**

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 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO CARROLL COUNTY.

2 (B) (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW AND SUBJECT
3 TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE CARROLL COUNTY OFFICE OF
4 PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS MAY DENY THE ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF A
5 COMMERCIAL LICENSE OR PERMIT IN THE COUNTY IF THE APPLICANT HAS UNPAID
6 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

7 (2) THE CARROLL COUNTY OFFICE OF PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS
8 MAY NOT DENY THE ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF A COMMERCIAL LICENSE OR PERMIT
9 FOR UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
10 SUBSECTION IF THE APPLICANT SUBMITS EVIDENCE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE
11 OFFICE THAT THE APPLICANT HAS DISPUTED THE AMOUNT OF UNPAID PERSONAL
12 PROPERTY TAXES.

13 (C) THE CARROLL COUNTY OFFICE OF PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS MAY
14 ISSUE OR RENEW A COMMERCIAL LICENSE OR PERMIT IN THE COUNTY THAT WAS
15 DENIED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1) OF THIS SECTION IF THE APPLICANT SUBMITS
16 EVIDENCE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE OFFICE THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PAID
17 ANY PREVIOUSLY UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 October 1, 2026.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.