

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

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[(a)] The Comptroller shall include in his annual reports statements giving statistical information as to the alcoholic beverages business in this State, which, in his opinion, shall be of interest to the public and industry; it being the intent and purpose of this section to furnish a basis for annual comparison as to the scope of the industry in Maryland, and the consuming habits of Maryland residents.

[(b) The board of license commissioners of St. Mary's County shall annually prepare a complete report of their activities for the past twelve months period, sending copies thereof to the Governor of Maryland, to each member of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, and to each member of the St. Mary's County delegation in the General Assembly of Maryland.]

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(d) [In St. Mary's County, the board of license commissioners as it existed prior to June 1, 1963, is abolished and a new board shall be appointed as of that date, as provided in subsection (a) of this section which shall be styled notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section "the alcoholic beverage board of St. Mary's County," but which in all other respects shall be the same as a board appointed under subsection (a) of this section. In addition to the board members appointed under subsection (a) of this section, the Governor shall appoint an alternate board member who shall serve whenever any regular board member is absent from a meeting. The term of office of the alternate board member shall run concurrently with the terms of office of the regular members of the board serving in office on July 1, 1983. The members of said board shall organize by electing their own chairman. They shall meet at least once during each calendar month, and as frequently in addition thereto as in their discretion is required by the duties of their office. All hearings held by the board shall be open to the public. The board is authorized to appoint advisory committees composed of responsible persons in the county for the purpose of advising the board on any matters relating to administration of the alcoholic beverage laws. One member of the regular board shall always be a member of that political party which at the last preceding gubernatorial election polled the second highest number of votes throughout the State for that office.] REPEALED.

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