

(2) DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE COUNCIL WILL SUBSIDIZE PARTICIPATION OF ITS EMPLOYEES IN THE PROGRAM.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

Approved May 16, 2002.

CHAPTER 498

(House Bill 213)

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County - Alcoholic Beverages - Sale and Distribution of Light Wine

FOR the purpose of excluding in Somerset County the sale and distribution of light wine from certain control of the liquor control board of the County; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the sale and distribution of light wine in Somerset County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 15-204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

15-204.

(a) [The] EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE liquor control board in each county shall have an absolute monopoly of the sale and distribution of the particular alcoholic beverages which elsewhere in this subtitle it is empowered to sell.

(b) Provided, that in Montgomery County no person, firm, or corporation shall keep for sale any alcoholic beverage not purchased from the Department of Liquor Control for Montgomery County, provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall apply to holders of Class F licenses, to the holder of a wholesaler's license or a beer wholesaler's license who shall not sell or deliver any alcoholic beverage in Montgomery County for resale except to a county liquor dispensary.

(c) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF LIGHT WINE IN SOMERSET COUNTY.