

exceeding five hundred dollars and imprisonment in the House of Correction or in jail for not exceeding six months, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court.

(d) **ST. MARY'S COUNTY.** In St. Mary's County, (1) for any violation of the laws as to licensing the sale of alcoholic beverages, the penalty upon conviction shall be a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

(2) For any violation of the laws as to hours or days for the sale of alcoholic beverages, the violator shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon trial and conviction shall be subjected to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) or may be confined in the County Jail or the House of Correction for not less than sixty days.

## INTERPRETATION

### 176. EXCEPTIONS PREVAIL OVER GENERAL RULE.

In any part of this Article, where a statement of a general rule of law is followed by an exception or qualification applicable to special areas or to particular persons or sets of circumstances, the law as stated in the exception or qualification shall prevail over the general rule of law insofar as there is any conflict or inconsistency between the two.

177. **SEPARABILITY.** If any portion of this Article or the application thereof to any person or set of circumstances is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction and authority, the remainder of this Article and its application to other persons and sets of circumstances shall not thereby be affected.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That Sections 299 to 316N, inclusive, of Article 1 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Allegany County", sub-title "Alcoholic Beverages", as said sections were enacted by ch. 5 and by ch. 58 of the Acts of the Special Session of 1933, Section 301 thereof having been amended by ch. 347 of the Acts of 1941; Sections 379 to 390B, inclusive, of Article 2 of said Code, title "Anne Arundel County", sub-title "Liquor and Intoxicating Drinks", Sections 390A and 390B thereof having been enacted by ch. 84 of the Acts of the Special Session of 1933; Sections 34 to 59, inclusive, and Sections 61, 62 and 62A of said Article 2, sub-title "Annapolis", Section 34 thereof having been amended and Section 62A thereof having been enacted by ch. 392 of the Acts of 1933, said Section 54 thereof having been amended by ch. 211 of the Acts of 1939; Sections 368 to 380F, inclusive, of