

CHAPTER 947.

(House Bill 732)

AN ACT to add a new section to the Code of Public Local Laws of Montgomery County (1939 Edition), being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Montgomery County", sub-title "County Commissioners and Treasurer", said new section to be known as Section 185A and to follow immediately after Section 185 of said Code, conferring powers and authority on the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County to enact ordinances for Montgomery County relating to the peace, good government, health, safety or welfare of said County, subject to certain limitations, and providing for the publication of such ordinances.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and it is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Montgomery County (1939 Edition), being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Montgomery County", sub-title "County Commissioners and Treasurer", said new section to be known as Section 185A, to follow immediately after Section 185 of said Code, and to read as follows:

185A. The Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County in its discretion shall have full powers and authority to enact ordinances for said County as it may deem necessary for the peace, good government, health, safety, or welfare of said County, and which are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution or public general laws or public local laws of the State of Maryland, subject, however, to the following limitations and restrictions: (a) that said Board shall not have power to license, regulate, prohibit, or submit to local option, the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages; (b) that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed as a grant of additional powers to said Board to authorize the issuance or renewal of any bonds, certificates, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of said County, except as now or hereafter provided by Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland; and (c) that no ordinance of general application shall be enacted or adopted by the said Board of County Commissioners, under the powers conferred by this Act, until a copy of said proposal has been advertised, in one or more newspapers of general circulation published in said County, at least once a week for two weeks, with an opportunity for a public hearing thereon before adoption and upon the enactment of any ordinance of general application as herein provided, the