

CHAPTER 112

(House Bill 76)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 90(b) and 159(h) of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Cumulative Supplement), title "Alcoholic Beverages," subtitles "Hours and Days for Sale," and "County Liquor Control Boards and Dispensaries," respectively, amending the laws of this State concerning alcoholic beverages in order to correct certain language and references therein.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 90(b) and 159(h) of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1970 Cumulative Supplement), title "Alcoholic Beverages," subtitles "Hours and Days for Sale," and "County Liquor Control Boards and Dispensaries," respectively, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(b)(1) In the jurisdictions in which this subsection is applicable, it shall be unlawful for anyone to sell or for any licensed dealer to deliver, give away or otherwise dispose of any alcoholic beverages on Sunday. Any person selling or any licensed dealer delivering, giving away or otherwise disposing of such beverages in such jurisdictions on Sundays shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the first offense and for each succeeding offense shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00), or imprisoned in the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days, or be both fined and imprisoned, in the discretion of the court.

(2) This subsection shall be applicable and have effect in Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Garrett, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester (excepting as otherwise provided herein) counties, provided that it shall not apply to or affect special Class C licenses issued under the provisions of this article, nor shall it apply to special Class C licenses issued in Washington County for temporary use. Nothing in this section shall require the holder of any Class A (off-sale) beer license in Washington County to close his place of business on Sunday provided such licensee shall close that part of his place of business from which beer is sold. Nothing in this section shall apply to any Class C beer, wine and liquor license (on-sale) club in Kent County under which it shall be lawful to keep for sale and sell in Kent County for consumption on the licensed premises alcoholic beverages on Sunday between the hours of 2:00 o'clock p.m. and midnight. Nothing in this section shall apply to holders of "special Sunday licenses" issued in Queen Anne's County pursuant to Section 103A. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this article, it is lawful for Class A beer licensees in Caroline County to sell alcoholic beverages between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 12 o'clock midnight on Sunday, and for Class C (clubs), beer, wine and liquor licensees in Caroline County to sell alcoholic