Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages

FOR the purpose of [[removing the restriction pertaining to]] placing restrictions on the distance between churches and alcoholic beverage establishments and the distance between schools and alcoholic beverage establishments, and clarifying language.

By repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 2B — Alcoholic Beverages Section 53(4) Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 53(4) of Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

53.

In Prince George's County no license shall be granted to sell alcoholic beverages in any building located within one thousand feet of a [church or] school building, OR WITHIN 500 FEET OF A CHURCH. [(the said] THE one thousand feet, OR THE 500 FEET, AS THE CASE MAY BE, is to be measured from the front door or main entrance, whichever is nearest the street abutting the premises, of the proposed licensed establishment along the nearest pedestrian route to the door closest to the licensed premises which is used as an entrance or exit to school[[.]][, or to the main entrance of the church building), provided that this restriction shall not apply in the case of a church, if the governing body of the church concerned shall consent in writing to the granting of such license, which consent shall be filed with the application, but the license of any person or persons or the use of a corporation or unincorporated for association issued for any building located within such distance from a church or school building may be renewed or extended for the same building.] , or to the main entrance of the church building, provided that this restriction shall not apply in the case of a church, if the governing body of the church concerned shall consent in writing to the granting of such license, which consent shall be filed with the application, but the license of any person or persons or for the use of a corporation or