

Approved May 15, 1975.

CHAPTER 819

(House Bill 1581)

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages - Beer Franchise Fair Dealing Act

FOR the purpose of providing for a cause of action against a beer franchisee for damages sustained from a violation of the Beer Franchise Fair Dealing Act.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
Section 203G
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1968 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 203G of Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

203G.

Any beer distributor or franchisee may bring an action against a beer manufacturer [or], franchisor, OR FRANCHISEE for violation of this subtitle in any court of general jurisdiction in the State of Maryland to recover damages sustained by reason of any violation of this subtitle and, where appropriate, shall be entitled to injunctive relief. The beer distributor or franchisee, if successful, shall also be entitled to the costs of the action including but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.