

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 98D(a) of Article 77 - Public Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 77 - Public Education

98D.

(a) The State Board of Education shall prescribe for each grade two through twelve a minimum level of reading ability which shall progressively rise with each succeeding grade. If a local school board, based upon local assessment of student progress and in conjunction with the Maryland accountability assessment program, determines that a student, in grades [two through seven] THREE, SEVEN, AND NINE THROUGH ELEVEN, has not met EITHER A MINIMUM GRADE LEVEL COMPETENCY OR the minimum reading level as prescribed by the State Board of Education for the previous grade, the student shall be either retained in the current grade or enrolled in an appropriate reading assistance program AS PART OF HIS OR HER INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM. These provisions may not be responsible solely for withholding grade advancement more than once in grades two through seven. [Pupils who are enrolled in special reading assistance programs, or who are performing up to their reading capacity as determined by guidelines adopted by local school boards in accordance with State bylaws, or who have a physical or mental handicap which affects his or her ability to read, are exempt.] ALL STUDENTS EXCEPT THE MODERATE AND THE SEVERE AND PROFOUND INTELLECTUALLY LIMITED IN GRADES THREE, SEVEN, AND NINE THROUGH ELEVEN SHALL BE INCLUDED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 17, 1977.

CHAPTER 560

(House Bill 1490)

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages - Hours of Sale  
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FOR the purpose of changing the Sunday hours of sale of certain alcoholic beverage licenseholders in Prince George's County and correcting language.