

PELLETS, BULLETS, OR DARTS ARE DISCHARGED BY THE EXPANDING FORCE OF COMPRESSED AIR OR GAS (CARBON DIOXIDE, CO₂). THE TERM INCLUDES AIR GUNS CALLED AIR RIFLES, BB GUNS, GAS GUNS, SPRING OPERATED GUNS, AND AIR PISTOLS.

(B) NO PERSON SHALL DISCHARGE OR ~~HAVE IN HIS POSSESSION, WHILE LOADED,~~ ANY AIR GUN WITHIN 500 FEET OF ANY HOME OR RESIDENCE, OTHER THAN HIS OWN, OR ANY SCHOOL OR SCHOOLGROUNDS, WHETHER PRIVATE OR PUBLIC, ANY CHURCH OR CHURCH GROUNDS, ANY PLACE OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY, OR ANY PUBLIC PARK OR PLAYGROUND WITHIN THE COUNTY.

(C) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT THE OWNER OR TENANT OF ANY LAND FROM DISCHARGING ANY AIR GUN ON HIS LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE PROTECTION OF HIS OWN PROPERTY OR THE LIFE OF HIMSELF OR HIS FAMILY, OR KILLING PREDATORY ANIMALS WHICH PREY UPON, DAMAGE, OR DESTROY HIS PROPERTY, LIVESTOCK, OR CROPS. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE DISCHARGE OF ANY AIR GUN ON ANY TARGET, TRAP, OR SKEET RANGE, OR SHOOTING AREA WHICH HAS BEEN INSPECTED AND APPROVED IN WRITING BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR THEIR DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE DISCHARGE OF ANY AIR GUN BY ANY PERSON IN A PRIVATE BASEMENT OR CELLAR TARGET RANGE.

(D) ANY PERSON WHO IS CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 16, 1978.

CHAPTER 558

{Senate Bill 1191}

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County - Alcoholic Beverages - Suspension and Revocation of Licenses

FOR the purpose of providing that in Wicomico County the board of license commissioners of Wicomico County may suspend or revoke a license if the license has not been placed in operation within 6 months of the issue or transfer of the license.

BY adding to

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
Section 69 (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)