

retailers; and generally relating to required signage at certain retail outlets distributing commercial fertilizer.

BY adding to

Article - Agriculture

Section 6-210.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Agriculture

6-210.1.

(A) ANY RETAIL OUTLET DISTRIBUTING COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER IN BAGS WEIGHING 50 POUNDS OR MORE SHALL DISPLAY PROMINENTLY A SIGN ADVISING CUSTOMERS THAT:

(1) OVERUSE OF COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER DAMAGES STATE WATERS, INCLUDING THE CHESAPEAKE BAY; AND

(2) CUSTOMERS CONCERNED WITH PROTECTING AND RESTORING THE HEALTH OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND OTHER STATE WATERS SHOULD, BEFORE USING A COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER, RECEIVE A CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF THE SOIL TO BE FERTILIZED FROM A SOIL-TESTING LABORATORY.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP AND MAKE AVAILABLE AT NO COST TO AN AFFECTED RETAILER A SIGN THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.

Approved April 25, 2006.

CHAPTER 166

(House Bill 226)

AN ACT concerning

Howard County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class A Light Wine Licenses

Ho. Co. 06-06

FOR the purpose of authorizing Class A light wine licenses to be issued in Howard County; and generally relating to Class A light wine licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,