

accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 224.

Very truly yours,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

Senate Bill No. 224

AN ACT concerning

Municipal Corporations - Regulation of Nudity and Sexual Displays

FOR the purpose of authorizing the legislative body of ~~every~~ each municipal corporation to adopt an ordinance for the licensing, control, location, or maintenance within its jurisdiction of a business establishment that allows on its premises certain activities involving nudity and sexual displays; providing a certain penalty; and generally relating to the regulation by municipal corporations of activities involving nudity and sexual displays.

BY adding to

Article 23A - Corporations - Municipal
Section 4A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

Article 23A - Corporations - Municipal

4A.

(A) THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A EACH MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY ADOPT AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LICENSING, CONTROL, LOCATION, OR MAINTENANCE WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION OF A BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT THAT ALLOWS ON ITS PREMISES ANY ACTIVITY INVOLVING NUDITY AND SEXUAL DISPLAYS LISTED IN ARTICLE 2B, § 10-405(C) THROUGH (F) OF THE CODE.

(B) (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS AND A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$25 LESS THAN \$500.

(2) EACH DAY ON WHICH A VIOLATION CONTINUES IS A SEPARATE OFFENSE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2005.