S.B. 451 VETOES

vetoed Senate Bill 451 - Caroline County and Cecil County - Alcoholic Beverages - Wineries.

This bill adds Caroline and Cecil counties to the list of counties in which a holder of a Class 4 manufacturer's license may also hold a Class A light wine license, exempts them from quotas regarding the number of licenses in the election district in which the winery is located, and specifies that the combined license fee would be set by the Caroline County License Commissioners. In Cecil County, the annual license fee would be \$50. Additionally, the bill increases the maximum allowable percentage of alcohol by volume in Cecil County from 15.5% to 22%.

House Bill 851, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 451.

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

Senate Bill No. 451

AN ACT concerning

Caroline County and Cecil County - Alcoholic Beverages - Wineries

FOR the purpose of authorizing Class A light wine licenses to be issued in <u>Caroline County and</u> Cecil County; altering the maximum percentage of alcohol by volume allowed in light wine for light wine licenses issued in Cecil County; requiring in Caroline County that the Board of License Commissioners set a certain fee with the approval of the Board of County Commissioners; exempting Cecil County wineries applying for a certain license from certain quotas; and generally relating to wineries in Caroline County and Cecil County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4-101(a) and 4-201(b)(1) and (d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4-101(i) and 4-201(a), (b)(1), and (c)

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BY adding to

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4 - 201(e)(4) 4 - 201(b)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland