(2) With respect to the regional higher education centers administered by the University System of Maryland, the University System of Maryland shall assure that State funds for the regional higher education centers are spent prudently and in accordance with State guidelines.

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

Approved April 12, 2005.

## CHAPTER 60

(House Bill 661)

AN ACT concerning

## Howard County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class BLX Licenses

## Ho. Co. 19-05

FOR the purpose of repealing the limit on the number of Class BLX (luxury restaurant) licenses that may be issued in Howard County; adding clarifying language; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Howard County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8-214

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 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

8-214.

- (a) There is a Class BLX (luxury restaurant) (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor license IN HOWARD COUNTY. This license may only be issued for the use of a restaurant:
- (1) In which there is a minimum capital investment of \$750,000 for restaurant facilities, exclusive of the cost of land and buildings;
  - (2) The construction of which commenced on or after July 1, 1992; and
  - (3) That has a minimum seating capacity of 125 persons.
- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of § 9-102(a) of this article, a Class BLX (luxury restaurant) (on-sale) beer, wine and liquor license may be issued to an