

vacancies, and removal of Board members; providing for officers and their terms of office; providing for a quorum, meetings, compensation and staff; providing for powers and duties of the Board; providing for powers and duties of the State Secretary of Agriculture; ~~creating--a--winegrowers' winery--and--grape-growers' productivity fund; providing for the funding and disbursements from the fund;~~ and generally relating to labeling, advertising, and selling standards for wine and the Winegrowers' Maryland Winery and Grape Growers' Advisory Board.

~~BY-repealing-and-reenacting, without amendments,~~

~~Article-2B---Alcoholic-Beverages  
Section-5(a), (d), (e), and (g)  
Annotated-Code-of-Maryland  
{1981-Replacement-Volume-and-1986-Supplement}~~

BY-adding-to

~~Article-2B---Alcoholic-Beverages  
Section-5A  
Annotated-Code-of-Maryland  
{1981-Replacement-Volume-and-1986-Supplement}~~

BY adding to

Article - Agriculture  
Section 10-1001 through ~~10-1008~~ 10-1007, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 10. Winegrowers' Maryland Winery and Grape Growers' Advisory Board"  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1985 Replacement Volume and 1986 Supplement)

#### Preamble

WHEREAS, The General Assembly finds that it is in the interest of the public welfare that winegrowers be authorized and encouraged to act jointly and in cooperation with others to increase the productivity of all phases of grape and wine production in Maryland and to provide for continuing orderly growth by sponsoring and encouraging research, education, promotion, and marketing of Maryland wine winery products, wine grapes, and other fruit used in the production of wine; and

WHEREAS, The purposes of this Act are:

(1) To identify and implement methods for improving Maryland's rank as a wine-producing state;