

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

**Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments**

297.

(h) (4) Within 10 days after the filing of the complaint:

(i) Copies of the summons and complaint shall be sent by certified mail requesting “restricted delivery – show to whom, date, address of delivery” and first class mail on all known owners and lienholders whose identities are reasonably subject to discovery, including for real property all owners and lienholders shown in the records prescribed by law for notice or perfection of the lien.

(ii) A notice which includes a description of the property, the date and place of seizure, the known owners and lienholders of the property, the violation or violations of law alleged to be the basis for forfeiture, a statement that a complaint has been filed and that the property shall be forfeited if no answer is timely filed, and instructions on where to file an answer and whom to contact for additional information concerning the forfeiture shall be:

1. Posted by the sheriff [at] ON the [courthouse] door OF THE COURTHOUSE IN WHICH THE ACTION IS PENDING or on a bulletin board within its immediate vicinity;

2. With respect to real property, posted by the sheriff in a conspicuous place on the land; and

3. EXCEPT IF THE PROPERTY IS A BOAT OR MOTOR VEHICLE, [Published] PUBLISHED at least once a week in each of 3 successive weeks in 1 or more newspapers of general circulation published in the county in which the action is pending.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1994.

Approved May 26, 1994.

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**CHAPTER 650**

**(House Bill 1241)**

AN ACT concerning

**Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages  
(Disposition of County Dispensary Profits)**

FOR the purpose of providing in Worcester County for the disposition of profits from the