- (2) (i) [In Worcester County the] THE Board [of License Commissioners], with the consent of the County Commissioners, may appoint an inspector.
- (ii) 1. The salary of the inspector shall be as provided in the County budget.
- 2. The duties of the inspector shall be as specified by the Board [of License Commissioners], including the proper administration and enforcement of the alcoholic beverages laws in Worcester County.
- (iii) For the purpose of the alcoholic beverages laws, the inspector shall have all the powers of a peace officer or sheriff of this State.
- (iv) The inspector shall make an oath to perform the duties entrusted, as provided in Article I, § 9, of the Constitution of Maryland.

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  - (L) (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY IN WORCESTER COUNTY.
- (2) THE BOARD SHALL PRESENT ITS BUDGET ANNUALLY TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON THE SAME DAY THAT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PRESENT THE BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY. THE BOARD SHALL BE PRESENT AT THAT MEETING SO AS TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR THE PUBLIC MIGHT HAVE.
- (3) IN ADDITION TO REGULAR AND SYSTEMATIC AUDITING OF ITS BOOKS AND RECORDS BY A PRIVATE AUDITING COMPANY, THE BOOKS AND RECORDS FOR THE BOARD SHALL BE AUDITED ON A REGULAR AND SYSTEMATIC SCHEDULE BY THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR.
- (4) (3) THE BOARD SHALL ADHERE TO COUNTY PERSONNEL PRACTICES. BY WAY OF ILLUSTRATION, THE BOARD SHALL ADVERTISE FOR VACANT POSITIONS AND SELECT THE MOST QUALIFIED PERSON AND SHALL AFFORD AN EMPLOYEE ALL COUNTY TERMINATION RIGHTS.
- (5) (4) THE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD MAY NOT EXPEND ANY FUNDS IN AN ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE REFERENDUM TO BE HELD IN NOVEMBER, 1998, THAT IS REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

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- (y) (1) This [section does not apply] SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY in Worcester County.
- (2) (I) AS OF MAY 1, 2000 1999, THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE CONSISTS OF TWO PARTS: