Article - State Government

10-618.

- (a) Unless otherwise provided by law, if a custodian believes that inspection of a part of a public record by the applicant would be contrary to the public interest, the custodian may deny inspection by the applicant of that part, as provided in this section.
- (H) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CUSTODIAN MAY DENY INSPECTION OF THAT PART OF A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CONTAINS INFORMATION DISCLOSING OR RELATING TO AN INVENTION OWNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY A STATE PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR 4 YEARS TO PERMIT THE INSTITUTION TO EVALUATE WHETHER TO PATENT OR MARKET THE INVENTION AND PURSUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LICENSING OPPORTUNITIES RELATED TO THE INVENTION.
- (2) A CUSTODIAN MAY NOT DENY INSPECTION OF A PART OF A PUBLIC RECORD DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IF:
- (I) THE INFORMATION DISCLOSING OR RELATING TO AN INVENTION HAS BEEN PUBLISHED OR DISSEMINATED BY THE INVENTORS IN THE COURSE OF THEIR ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES OR DISCLOSED IN A PUBLISHED PATENT;
- (II) THE INVENTION REFERRED TO IN THAT PART OF THE RECORD HAS BEEN LICENSED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR AT LEAST 1-YEAR 4 YEARS; OR
- (III) 4 YEARS HAVE ELAPSED FROM THE DATE OF THE WRITTEN DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION TO THE INSTITUTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved April 13, 1999.

CHAPTER 75

(House Bill 197)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County - Alcoholic Beverage Board - Noise Regulation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Alcoholic Beverage Board of St. Mary's County to regulate under certain circumstances the noise level and playing time of certain music and sound devices on licensed premises; and generally relating to the Alcoholic Beverage Board of St. Mary's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 12-219