is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or both.

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

Approved May 13, 1999.

CHAPTER 491

(House Bill 1146)

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County - Alcoholic Beverages - Retail Sale of Wine

FOR the purpose of adding Somerset County to provisions authorizing in specified jurisdictions the issuance of a Class A light wine license for retail sale of wine; authorizing certain wineries to provide wine samples to visitors in Somerset County; establishing certain restrictions and limitations on wine samples provided by a winery; and generally relating to the retail sale of wine in Somerset County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4-201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article-2B Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8 409.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

4-201.

- (a) A Class A light wine license may be issued only in:
 - (1) Baltimore County;
 - (2) Carroll County;
 - (3) Dorchester County;