

Section 11-304(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

11-304.

(d) (1) [This] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THIS section does not apply to premises conducted on New Year's Day by on-sale licensees in Baltimore City.

(2) IN BALTIMORE CITY, A LICENSED PREMISES SHALL CEASE ALL OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR FOOD AND PROVIDING ENTERTAINMENT, AT THE CLOSING HOUR FOR THAT CLASS OF LICENSED PREMISES SPECIFIED IN THIS ARTICLE.

(3) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY GRANT AN EXEMPTION FOR REMAINING OPEN AFTER HOURS TO:

(I) A HOLDER OF A CLASS B RESTAURANT LICENSE, ONLY FOR SERVING FOOD TO PATRONS SEATED FOR DINING; OR

(II) A PHARMACY THAT FILLS PRESCRIPTIONS.

(4) A PHARMACY THAT RECEIVES AN EXEMPTION UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY ALSO SELL PRODUCTS OTHER THAN ALCOHOL AFTER NORMAL CLOSING HOURS.

(5) NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUR RESTRICTIONS UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A HOTEL THAT HOLDS A CLASS B LICENSE AND THAT SERVES FOOD TO SEATED CUSTOMERS OR TO PRIVATE FUNCTIONS OR GUEST ROOMS MAY CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FOOD SERVICE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved May 11, 2000.