

vetoed Senate Bill 796 – Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Closing Hours for Licensed Premises.

This bill clarifies that premises licensed to sell alcoholic beverages in Baltimore City must cease all operations at the closing hour designated for its class of license. The Board of Liquor License Commissioners of Baltimore City may grant an exemption to allow: (1) the holder of a Class B restaurant license to continue serving food to seated patrons; or (2) a pharmacy to continue filling prescriptions and selling products other than alcoholic beverages.

House Bill 1154, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 11, 2000, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 796.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 796

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Closing Hours for Licensed Premises

FOR the purpose of requiring in Baltimore City a licensed premises to cease all operations after a certain time; authorizing the Board of Liquor License Commissioners to exempt certain persons for certain purposes; entitling certain pharmacies to sell certain products under certain circumstances; providing an exception applicable to certain hotels; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to licensed premises in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

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.