

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article 25B - Home Rule for Code Counties

13C-1.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "CURFEW HOURS" MEANS:

~~(I) 11:00 P.M. ON A SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, OR THURSDAY UNTIL 6:00 A.M. OF THE FOLLOWING DAY; AND~~

~~(II) 12:01 A.M. UNTIL 6:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY~~ 12:00 A.M. UNTIL 5:00 A.M.

(3) "EMERGENCY" MEANS A SUDDEN OR UNEXPECTED HAPPENING OR AN UNFORESEEN COMBINATION OF CIRCUMSTANCES THAT CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, OR PROPERTY OF AN INDIVIDUAL FROM ACTUAL OR THREATENED HARM OR FROM AN UNLAWFUL ACT.

(4) "ESTABLISHMENT" MEANS A PRIVATELY OWNED PLACE OF BUSINESS OPERATED FOR A PROFIT TO WHICH THE PUBLIC IS INVITED.

(5) "GUARDIAN" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS APPOINTED BY A COURT AS A GUARDIAN OF A MINOR.

~~(6) (I) "KNOWINGLY" MEANS CONSCIOUSLY, WILLFULLY, AND INTENTIONALLY.~~

~~(II) "KNOWINGLY" INCLUDES TO KNOW OR TO REASONABLY KNOW.~~

~~(7) (6)~~ (I) "PUBLIC PLACE" MEANS A PLACE TO WHICH THE GENERAL PUBLIC HAS ACCESS AND A RIGHT TO RESORT FOR BUSINESS, ENTERTAINMENT, OR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSE.

(II) "PUBLIC PLACE" INCLUDES:

1. A PUBLIC STREET, SIDEWALK, ALLEY, HIGHWAY, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY OF A PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY; AND

2. THE COMMON AREAS OF A TRANSPORT FACILITY, SCHOOL, HOSPITAL, APARTMENT BUILDING, OFFICE BUILDING, SHOPPING CENTER, PARK, PLAYGROUND, PARKING LOT, THEATER, RESTAURANT, BOWLING ALLEY, TAVERN, CAFE, ARCADE, AND SHOPS.

~~(8) (7)~~ "REMAIN" MEANS TO:

(I) LINGER OR STAY UNNECESSARILY IN A PUBLIC PLACE; OR