Approved May 15, 2001.

## **CHAPTER 475**

## (House Bill 415)

AN ACT concerning

## Alcoholic Beverages - Licenses - Issuance and Transfer

FOR the purpose of requiring an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license or the transfer of a license to demonstrate to the appropriate board of license commissioners that certain criteria have been met; requiring a board of license commissioners to consider certain criteria in approving the issuance or transfer of a license; providing that the requirement to consider certain criteria does not apply in Baltimore City, Harford County, or St. Mary's County; authorizing a board to consider certain criteria in approving the issuance or transfer of a license; clarifying a certain provision; and generally relating to the issuance or transfer of an alcoholic beverages license.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 10-202(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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Section 10-202(a)(2) and 10-503(a)(2)

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

## Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

10-202.

- (a) (1) (i) Before the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City or any county approves any application for a license, the Board shall cause a notice of the application to be published two times in two successive weeks:
- 1. For Baltimore City licensee applicants in three newspapers of general circulation in Baltimore City.
- 2. For county licensee applicants in two newspapers of general circulation in the county where two newspapers are published, and if not, then in one newspaper having a general circulation in the county.