In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 797 – Baltimore County – Alcoholic Beverages – Additional Class B (Restaurant) License.

This bill authorizes an individual, for the use of specified business entities, to obtain an additional Class B license in Baltimore County, up to a total of five Class B (on-sale – hotels and restaurants) licenses, by making application in the regular manner and paying the usual fee if the restaurant for which the additional license authorized by the Act is sought meets specified requirements.

House Bill 1219, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 11, 2004, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 797.

Very truly yours, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

Senate Bill No. 797

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County - Alcoholic Beverages - Additional Class B (Restaurant) License

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual, for the use of certain business entities, to obtain an additional Class B license in Baltimore County, up to a total of a certain number of Class B (on-sale) (hotels and restaurants) licenses by making application in the regular manner and paying the usual fee and if the restaurant for which the additional license authorized by this Act is sought meets certain requirements; providing for the construction of this Act; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages Section 9–102(b–3C) Annotated Code of Maryland (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

9-102.

(B-3C) (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION OR § 8–204(L) OF THIS ARTICLE, IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, AN INDIVIDUAL, FOR THE USE OF A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION, OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY IN THE COUNTY, MAY OBTAIN AN ADDITIONAL CLASS B LICENSE UP TO A TOTAL OF FOUR FIVE CLASS B (ON-SALE –