witness in all respects as if the witness summoned to appear in the court in a case pending before it had neglected or refused to do so.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

May 26, 2004

The Honorable Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 347 – Harford County – Light Wines Produced at Wineries – Retail Sale to Consumers.

This bill authorizes in Harford County a winery that has been issued a Class A light wine license to sell in any quantity to consumers at retail the winery light wines and port wines produced at the winery, not in excess of 23 percent of alcohol by volume.

Senate Bill 228, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 27, 2004, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 347.

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

House Bill No. 347

AN ACT concerning

Harford County - Light Wines Produced at Wineries - Retail Sale to Consumers

FOR the purpose of authorizing, in Harford County, a winery that has been issued a Class A light wine license to sell to consumers at retail at the winery light wines and certain other wines produced by the winery that are not in excess of a certain percentage of alcohol by volume; and generally relating to the sale of wine by wineries in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4-201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)