

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 458 - *Wicomico County - Alcoholic Beverages - Minimum Seating Capacity for Licensed Restaurants*.

This bill lowers the minimum seating capacity requirement from 75 to 40 persons for restaurants in Wicomico County for which a Class B beer, wine and liquor license is issued.

House Bill 80, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 458.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley  
Governor

**Senate Bill 458**

AN ACT concerning

**Wicomico County - Alcoholic Beverages - Minimum Seating Capacity for  
Licensed Restaurants**

FOR the purpose of lowering the minimum seating capacity requirement for restaurants in Wicomico County for which a Class B beer, wine and liquor license is issued; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Wicomico County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 6-201(a)(1) and (x)(1)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 6-201(x)(2)(iv)1.C.  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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