Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

6-201.

- (a) (1) A Class B beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located, and the license authorizes its holder to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail at any hotel or restaurant at the place described, for consumption on the premises or elsewhere, or as provided in this section.
 - (x) (1) This subsection applies only in Wicomico County.
 - (2) (iv) 1. This license may be issued only to a restaurant that:

C. Has a regular seating capacity at tables (not including seats at bars or counters) for [75] 40 or more persons seated comfortably and adequately and shall meet the minimum requirements of the fire code applicable to the jurisdiction where the restaurant is located; and

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

May 17, 2007

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 459 - Alcoholic Beverages - Places of Public Entertainment and Unlicensed Establishments.

This bill prohibits unlicensed establishments in Caroline County, Dorchester County, Kent County, Queen Anne's County, Somerset County, Talbot County, Wicomico County, or Worcester County from serving alcohol or allowing alcohol to be consumed on the premises.