

CHAPTER 58

(House Bill 1371)

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – Board of License Commissioners

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a Charles County License Commissioner from either receiving certain interests in or soliciting certain interests from certain businesses where alcoholic beverages are sold; providing for the removal from the appointed commissioners office for certain violations; providing for the application of this Act; clarifying language; and making this Act an emergency measure.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 150(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

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

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

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(b) (1) In Charles County, the Board of County Commissioners shall appoint three persons, designating one of them as chairman, who [shall] constitute the Board of License Commissioners for [said] THE County; the first members of [said] THE Board to be appointed for one, two and three year terms, respectively, and their successors thereafter for terms of four years each; and [said] THE Board shall meet at least once a month.

(2) (I) NO COMMISSIONER SHALL HAVE ANY INTEREST, DIRECT OR INDIRECT, EITHER PROPRIETARY OR BY MEANS OF ANY LOAN, MORTGAGE OR LIEN, OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER, IN OR TO ANY PREMISES WHERE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE SOLD; NOR SHALL HE HAVE ANY INTEREST, DIRECT OR INDIRECT, IN ANY BUSINESS WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY DEVOTED TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, OR OWN ANY STOCK IN ANY CORPORATION WHICH HAS ANY INTEREST, PROPRIETARY OR OTHERWISE, DIRECT OR INDIRECT, IN ANY PREMISES WHERE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE SOLD OR IN ANY BUSINESS WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY DEVOTED TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, OR HOLD ANY OTHER PUBLIC OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT.

(II) NO COMMISSIONER SHALL SOLICIT OR RECEIVE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ANY COMMISSION, REMUNERATION OR GIFT WHATSOEVER FROM ANY PERSON, OR CORPORATION ENGAGED IN THE