

Approved May 5, 1992.

CHAPTER 132

(House Bill 233)

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County – Sunday Blue Laws

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision that prohibits, in Allegany County, certain retail or wholesale establishments from conducting business on Sunday before 1 p.m.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 18-101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1992)

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

Article – Business Regulation

18-101.

(a) (1) This section does not apply to the laws that relate to the sale of alcoholic beverages.

(2) This section does not apply in Wicomico County.

(b) Subject to this section and § 3-704 of the Labor and Employment Article, a retail or wholesale establishment may do business on Sunday.

(c) Notwithstanding an agreement to the contrary between a merchant and landlord:

(1) the landlord may not directly or indirectly require the merchant to open the merchant's place of business on Sunday; and

(2) a landlord may not directly or indirectly cancel or refuse to renew the merchant's lease because the merchant refuses to open the merchant's place of business on Sunday.

(d) Except in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, a new or used car dealer may not sell, barter, deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a motor vehicle or certificate of title for a motor vehicle on Sunday.