

CHAPTER 320

(House Bill 478)

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages License Location Restriction

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an alcoholic beverages license from being issued for a premises located within a certain distance from the property line of a school or of a church or other place of worship in Wicomico County; and providing for certain exemptions.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 52D

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

52D.

(A) IN WICOMICO COUNTY, THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY NOT APPROVE ANY LICENSE TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WITHIN A ~~4,000~~ 500 FOOT MEASUREMENT FROM THE NEAREST POINT OF THE BUILDING THAT IS THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT FOR WHICH THE LICENSE IS REQUESTED TO THE NEAREST POINT OF THE PROPERTY LINE OF A SCHOOL OR OF A CHURCH OR OTHER PLACE OF WORSHIP.

(B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL OR TEMPORARY LICENSES.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act does not affect any premises that are licensed prior to October 1, 1992 or the reissuance or transfer of those licenses.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act does not affect any licensed premises that are in violation of this Act because of a subsequent location of a school or of a church or place of worship.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1992.

Approved May 12, 1992.