SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1998.

Approved April 28, 1998.

CHAPTER 265

(House Bill 738)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County - Alcoholic Beverages License Applicants - Fingerprinting and Criminal History Records Checks

FOR the purpose of requiring the St. Mary's County Alcoholic Beverage Board to obtain the criminal record of an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license; requiring the Board to forward fingerprints of an applicant to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Depository in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for State and national criminal history records check follow certain procedures and satisfy certain requirements in obtaining a certain criminal history records check from the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; exempting an applicant for a license renewal from the provisions of this Act; authorizing the Board to establish a certain fee; requiring the Board to maintain the confidentiality of all criminal records in its possession; prohibiting the postponement of a hearing date because of a delay in federal processing of the criminal history records check; requiring the Board to adopt regulations to administer this Act; and generally relating to fingerprinting applicants for an alcoholic beverages-license obtaining fingerprints and criminal history records checks from applicants for alcoholic beverages licenses in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 10-103(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY adding to

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