

A003-0607

10 AN ACT CONCERNING

20 **The Allowance of Legal Adults on the Premises of Restaurants**
30 **Possessing An Alcohol License**

40 FOR the purpose of reversing state law which forces businesses to prohibit legal
50 adults, age 18 to 21, from loitering on the premises of restaurants in possession of
60 alcohol licenses after meal hours have expired; and generally relating to the cause
70 of expanded eligibility.

80 By amending
90 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
100 Section 12-111(a)
110 Annotated Code of Maryland

120 **Preamble**

130 WHEREAS, the loitering on the premises of restaurants, licensed under article
140 2B, does not denote the consumption of alcohol in violation of the state
150 mandated age of 21 years and that such establishments provide
160 entertainment (*e.g.* dancing, billiards, musical performances, *etc.*) and also
170 serve beverages not restricted under Article 2B after meal hours have
180 expired; now, therefore,

190 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE MARYLAND STUDENT
200 LEGISLATURE:

210 Article-2B

220 § 12-111

230 (a) Loitering about a place of business. - A licensee under this article may
240 not permit any person ~~not designated under § 1-102 (a) (6) of this~~
250 ~~article~~ **UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS OLD** to loaf or loiter
260 about the place of business for which the license is issued.

270 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act shall take effect
280 on May 1, 2008.

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