

# Chapter 105

## (House Bill 171)

AN ACT concerning

### St. Mary's County and Dorchester County – Winery Special Event Permits – Farmers' Markets

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Office of the Comptroller to issue ~~a~~ winery special event ~~permit~~ permits to ~~a~~ Class 4 Maryland limited ~~winery~~ wineries in St. Mary's County and Dorchester County for unlimited use for a certain amount of time each week at certain farmers' markets in St. Mary's County and Dorchester County; and generally relating to the issuance of ~~a~~ winery special event ~~permit~~ permits for use at ~~a~~ farmers' ~~market~~ markets in St. Mary's County and Dorchester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 2-101(u)(1)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2011 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to  
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages  
Section 2-101(u)(12) and (13)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2011 Replacement Volume)

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

### Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

2-101.

(u) (1) The Office of the Comptroller may issue a winery special event permit to a licensed Class 4 Maryland limited winery, provided that:

(i) Except as provided in paragraphs (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), [and] (11), ~~AND (12)~~ (12), AND (13) of this subsection, no more than 12 winery special event permits are issued to the Class 4 Maryland limited winery in any given calendar year;

(ii) The permit does not exceed 3 consecutive days; and

(iii) Except as provided in paragraphs (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), [and] (11), ~~AND (12)~~ **(12)**, **AND (13)** of this subsection, no more than three winery special event permits are issued in any calendar year to any given limited winery for use in the same political subdivision.

**(12) IN ADDITION TO THE WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS THAT MAY BE ISSUED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(I) AND (III) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CLASS 4 MARYLAND LIMITED WINERY MAY BE ISSUED A WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR UNLIMITED USE FOR 1 DAY EACH WEEK AT A FARMERS' MARKET IN ST. MARY'S COUNTY THAT IS LISTED ON THE FARMERS' MARKET DIRECTORY OF THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.**

**(13) IN ADDITION TO THE WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS THAT MAY BE ISSUED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(I) AND (III) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CLASS 4 MARYLAND LIMITED WINERY MAY BE ISSUED A WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR UNLIMITED USE FOR 1 DAY EACH WEEK AT A FARMERS' MARKET IN DORCHESTER COUNTY THAT IS LISTED ON THE FARMERS' MARKET DIRECTORY OF THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

**Approved by the Governor, April 10, 2012.**