

- (i) Possess the power of a peace officer of this State with respect to the enforcement of the alcoholic beverages laws of Frederick County;
- (ii) Make monthly reports in writing to the Board covering the activities and setting forth any complaints or violations that may have been observed or reported;
- (iii) Assist the Board in enforcing the alcoholic beverages laws; and
- (iv) Have any other duties as the Board may prescribe.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

May 26, 2005

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 1334 – *Agriculture – Critical Farms Program*.

This bill requires the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation and the Department of Planning to establish a Critical Farms Program to provide specified financing for the acquisition of specified agricultural preservation easements on specified farms. It also requires a county to determine if a property qualifies for the Program in accordance with specified criteria developed by the Foundation and the Department. Finally, it requires the Foundation and the Department to conduct a specified study and submit a report.

Senate Bill 502, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1334.

Very truly yours,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

House Bill No. 1334

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Critical Farms Program

~~FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation and the Department of Planning to establish jointly examine options for the establishment of a Critical Farms Program to provide certain financing for the acquisition of certain agricultural preservation easements on~~