

# SENATE BILL 1143

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By: **Senators Bates ~~and Nathan Pulliam~~, Nathan Pulliam, Kasemeyer, and Guzzone**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Sales and Use Tax – Tax-Free Weekend – Ellicott City and Ellicott’s Mills**  
3 **Historic Districts**

4 FOR the purpose of designating a certain weekend to be a tax-free weekend during which  
5 a certain sales and use tax exemption shall apply in certain areas; providing for the  
6 termination of this Act; and generally relating to the designation of a certain sales  
7 tax-free weekend in the State.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Tax – General

10 Section 11-233

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2016 Replacement Volume)

13 Preamble

14 WHEREAS, The flooding of July 30, 2016, inflicted significant damage on the Ellicott  
15 City Historic District and the Ellicott’s Mills Historic District; and

16 WHEREAS, The residents and merchants of Ellicott City have demonstrated  
17 remarkable resiliency in recovering from the damage sustained during this flood; and

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 WHEREAS, The weekend of July 28, 2017, through July 30, 2017, shall mark the  
2 first anniversary of the destruction sustained by this area; and

3 WHEREAS, Continued patronage by Marylanders of the merchants located in the  
4 Ellicott City Historic District and the Ellicott's Mills Historic District remains key to the  
5 recovery of the area; now, therefore,

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

8 **Article – Tax – General**

9 **11-233.**

10 (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE SALE OF AN ALCOHOLIC  
11 BEVERAGE.

12 (B) THE 3-DAY PERIOD FROM JULY 28, 2017, THROUGH JULY 30, 2017,  
13 SHALL BE A TAX-FREE PERIOD FOR SHOPPING IN THE ELLICOTT CITY HISTORIC  
14 DISTRICT AND THE ELLICOTT'S MILLS HISTORIC DISTRICT DURING WHICH THE  
15 SALES AND USE TAX DOES NOT APPLY TO THE SALE OF ANY ITEM IN THE ELLICOTT  
16 CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT OR THE ELLICOTT'S MILLS HISTORIC DISTRICT, IF THE  
17 TAXABLE PRICE OF THE ITEM IS \$100 OR LESS.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
19 1, 2017. It shall remain effective for a period of 7 months and, at the end of December 31,  
20 2017, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated  
21 and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.