

as "Talbot County Liquor Dispensaries", for the sale of any sparkling or fortified wine and any other alcoholic beverage containing more than fourteen per centum of alcohol by volume, in sealed packages or containers, which packages or containers shall not be opened nor their contents consumed upon the premises where sold. The said Board shall have power to establish branch dispensaries at such places in Talbot County as it deems desirable and proper. For the purpose of establishing and operating such dispensaries and/or branch dispensaries, the Board of County Commissioners of Talbot County is hereby authorized and directed to advance, from time to time, to the Liquor Control Board, such sum or sums of money, not exceeding eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00), as may be necessary to provide adequate working capital for said Liquor Control Board, and the said Board of County Commissioners is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow, upon the credit of said County, such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet such advances, and the said Liquor Control Board shall also be authorized to borrow money from time to time upon the credit of said Board from any banking institution; provided, however, that the aggregate sum advanced to or borrowed by the Liquor Control Board shall at no time exceed the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00). All sums advanced to the Liquor Control Board by the County Commissioners, and all sums borrowed by the County Commissioners or the Liquor Control Board shall bear interest not exceeding 6% per annum, and shall be repaid, together with the interest thereon, out of the receipts from sales made at the County Liquor Dispensaries or branch dispensaries. On the establishment of County dispensaries in Talbot County, no license shall thereafter be used or issued in the said County for the sale of beer or alcoholic beverages authorized to be sold in said dispensaries.

The Liquor Control Board shall have full power and authority:

(1) To appoint such employees as may be necessary to conduct such County Liquor Dispensaries or branch dispensaries, fix their compensation and require such bonds for the faithful performance of their duties as the Board may in each case determine.

(2) To purchase from any licensed wholesaler or manufacturer any sparkling or fortified wine or any other alcoholic beverage containing more than fourteen per centum of alcohol by volume, upon which the tax imposed by this Article has been paid, and to purchase from any non-resident producer or dealer any such alcoholic beverages and import the same for resale, as hereinafter provided; but such importations shall not be resold until the excise tax has been paid.

(3) To sell such alcoholic beverages in sealed containers, as above provided, at such prices as may be determined by the Board, which prices shall be uniform in all stores in the said County and shall in no case be less than the cost of such alcoholic beverages.

(4) To refuse to sell any such alcoholic beverages to any person or persons who, in the judgment of the Board, is not a suitable person to purchase or consume such beverages.

(5) To make any and all contracts, rules and regulations which they may deem necessary or desirable to carry out the powers conferred upon them by this Article.

(6) To sell and ship outside Talbot County any containers or packages of alcoholic beverages kept for sale in the dispensaries or branch dispensaries, provided that such shipment is not prohibited by law applicable in the place where shipment is consigned.