

tion the affidavit of at least ten reputable citizens, voters and taxpayers residing in the election district or ward in which the applicant lives, certifying that each of them has been personally acquainted with the applicant for one year at least, knows him to be a person of good moral character, knows that the statements of fact contained in the applicant's petition for a license are true, and verily believes that the assurances in such application will be faithfully fulfilled.

104H: The Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore City or the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County, as the case may be, shall cause the said application to be advertised at least once during a period of one week in some newspaper or newspapers published or generally circulated in the community in which the licensed establishment is proposed to be located.

On or before the expiration of said period of one week any ten or more reputable citizens, voters and taxpayers residing in the election district or ward in which the business sought to be licensed is to be carried on, may file with the Clerk written objections to the granting of such license on the ground that the same is not necessary for the accommodation of the public, or that the applicant is not a fit person to receive such license, or has made a false statement in his application or has violated some law of the State or of the United States, or that fraud has been practiced in the application for such license.

If such objections are filed, then the application, the objections and any other papers or documents appertaining thereto shall be forthwith transmitted by the Clerk of Court to the Bureau of State Licenses, which, for the purpose of administering this Act, shall comprise the Chief Inspector, provided for by Section 7, of Article 56 of the Annotated Code, and not more than two assistants to be appointed by the Comptroller, subject only to the approval of the Governor, and the said Bureau, after due notice to the applicant and to the objectors, shall proceed to hear and determine the said objections, and shall notify the Clerk of Court of the Bureau's findings thereon. If the Bureau determines that the objections are not well founded, then the Clerk shall forthwith issue the license, but if the Bureau finds that the objections are well founded, then the Clerk shall refuse the same, and in either event the findings of said Bureau shall be final.