

and consent when not in session, shall appoint three persons who shall constitute a Board of Liquor License Commissioners of Prince George's county, two of whom shall be selected from the political party of the State polling the highest number of votes at the last general State election, and the other of who shall be selected from the political party polling the next highest number of votes at said general election, all of whom shall be freeholders and voters of said county and who shall hold office for two years from the first day of April, 1908, and until their successors are appointed and qualified. The members of said board shall each receive a salary of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), per annum and may employ a clerk at a salary of two hundred dollars (\$200) per annum, and a counsel at a salary of one hundred dollars (\$100) per annum; all of said salaries shall be payable quarterly out of the license fund herein-after mentioned. The said board, or two members thereof, constituting a quorum, shall meet at least once a month at an office which shall be provided for them by the County Commissioners in the courthouse at Upper Marlboro, and their duties and powers shall be as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 251B. The said board shall receive all applications to sell or barter spirituous or fermented liquors or intoxicating drinks in Prince George's county, which application shall be in the form of and comply with the requirements of sections 253 and 253A of said article 17 and accompanied by the license fee required to be paid by section 252 of said article as amended by the Act of 1906, chapter 296. Such applications shall be filed with said board not less than thirty days prior to the first of the month for which such license is to begin, except as to the year 1908, when the same may be filed within fifteen (15) days after the organization of said board for licenses to issue May 1, 1908. They shall cause to be published for two successive weeks in two weekly newspapers published in said county, the name of such applicant and the election district wherein the business of each applicant is to be carried on, and shall name in said advertisement a day on which they will take up such application and act thereon. In the event of a written protest being filed against the granting of any license they shall set the same down for a hearing, and after giving due notice to the applicant proceed to determine whether or not such license ought to be granted. Should they determine that such license ought not to issue they shall refund to the applicant his license fee, provided said applicant shall not have been carrying on his business pending the determination of such protest, and in such event a part of such fee proportioned to the