

with the provisions of this sub-title and the rules and regulations adopted thereunder by the State Board of Health. No license granted hereunder shall be assignable or transferable.

496F. (Inspections.) The State Board of Health shall cause each hospital in the State of Maryland to be periodically inspected under rules and regulations to be established by said Board of Health, as hereinafter provided.

Any hospital desiring to make any alteration or addition to its buildings and plant or any change in any of its facilities may, before making such change, alteration or addition, request the State Board of Health to approve the same, provided, however, that nothing contained in this sub-title shall be construed as in any way superseding the provisions of any local building code now in existence or hereafter enacted. Thereupon, the State Board of Health shall investigate the change, alteration or addition so contemplated to be made and as soon thereafter as reasonably practical shall notify the licensee that said change, alteration or addition is approved or disapproved with such recommendations as said State Board of Health shall care to make.

496G. (Standards Established.) The State Board of Health shall have full power and authority to make and promulgate reasonable rules and regulations classifying hospitals and prescribing minimum standards of safety and sanitation in the physical plant, of diagnostic, therapeutic and laboratory facilities and equipment of each class of hospitals, provided, however, that nothing contained in this sub-title shall affect the right of each institution to employ its own personnel and staff, and provided further that said rules and regulations are not in conflict with any provisions of this sub-title. The State Board of Health may modify, amend or rescind such regulations from time to time as may be in the public interest.

496H. (Appeals.) Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the State Board of Health to issue a license may, within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of such action or failure to act, take an appeal therefrom to a court having equity jurisdiction in the County or in the City of Baltimore where such hospital is located or contemplated and a copy of such appeal shall be filed with the State Board of Health. Within five (5) days after the receipt of such copy, the State Board of Health shall transmit to such court all the original papers pertaining to such application, and such appeal shall thereafter be heard by such court as promptly as circumstances will reasonably permit. Such hearing may be heard upon the record so transmitted, but the court may hear such additional evidence as it