

or revoke licenses, its right to hear cases de novo involving licensees to whom it has granted licenses.

This Bill has been vetoed.

HOUSE BILL No. 268

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (a) of Section 48 of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Alcoholic Beverages", sub-title "Procedure for Issue of Licenses", providing that the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City must, within thirty (30) days of a hearing, render its decision thereon.

This Bill would require the Board of Liquor License Commissioners of Baltimore to render its decision on the granting or refusal of any license for which an application had been made within 30 days of a hearing thereon. I am advised that in some instances a 30-day period would not be sufficient to make the necessary investigations on which to base a decision, and might, in that respect, work a hardship on the applicant through refusal because of a lack of sufficient information. Therefore, I will veto House Bill No. 268.

HOUSE BILL No. 475

AN ACT to add a new sub-section to Section 106 of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Alcoholic Beverages", sub-title "Restrictions Upon Licensees", said new sub-section to be known as Sub-section (c) and to follow immediately after Sub-section (b) of said Section 106; to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (b) of Section 25 of said Article, sub-title "Local Licenses and License Provisions"; to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (a) of Section 38 of said Article, sub-title "General Provisions on Issue of Licenses", and to add a new sub-section to said Section 38, said new sub-section to be known as Sub-section (c) and to follow immediately after Sub-section (b) thereof, relating generally to the sale of alcoholic beverages in Anne Arundel County and to the licenses therefor.

This Bill would change the provision of the alcoholic beverage law in Anne Arundel County with respect to the prohibition against the issuance of a license for the sale of alcoholic beverages on premises located within 1,000 feet of a church or school. It would provide that in determining the distance of the premises of a prospective licensee from a church or school the measurement be made "by the usual traveled way" and not by the presently accepted practice of computing