

subtitle "Local Licenses and License Provisions," and to enact new Section 32(c) in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed, TO ENACT NEW SECTION 21(I-2) TO SAID ARTICLE AND TITLE OF SAID CODE, SUBTITLE "BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSES," TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 21(I-1) THEREOF AND TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTION 21(J) OF SAID ARTICLE, TITLE AND SUBTITLE OF SAID CODE, to allow alcoholic beverage licensees in Cecil County to acquire different class and/or type licenses under certain procedures, AND TO CREATE A CLASS D BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THIS COUNTY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 32(c) of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Alcoholic Beverages," subtitle "Local Licenses and License Provisions," be and it is hereby repealed, and that new Section 32(c) be enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section so repealed, and to read as follows:

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(c) During the period beginning August 1, 1968, and ending on September 1, 1968, and during this same period in every fourth year thereafter, any licensee in the county who has held any class of license for a period of not less than four years prior to July 1, 1968, or any fourth year thereafter, may apply to the board of license commissioners for the issuance of any class or type of license other than the license then being held. DURING THIS SAME PERIOD IN EVERY FOURTH YEAR THEREAFTER, ANY LICENSEE IN THE COUNTY WHO HAS HELD ANY CLASS OF LICENSE FOR A PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN FOUR YEARS MAY APPLY TO THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ANY CLASS OR TYPE OF LICENSE OTHER THAN THE LICENSE THEN BEING HELD. The board shall publish notice of the application in one newspaper of general circulation in the county on each of two successive weeks. Thereafter the board shall hold a public hearing on the date fixed in the notice. The board may approve the application in its discretion, but in approving the application, the board shall consider the general reputation and character of the applicant, the manner of his conducting and operating the business presently being licensed and the public necessity for the license for which application is made. The board, before approving any application, shall require an inspection of the premises for which the application is made and shall require the premises to comply with all of the rules and regulations of the board applicable thereto. In all respects, other than as provided herein, the application shall be subject to the requirements of the provisions of this Article applicable in the county. The fee for the issuance of any license under this subsection shall be as follows: for a change from one class of beer license to any other class of beer license, from any class of beer and wine license to any other class of beer and wine license or from any class of beer, wine and liquor license to any other class of beer, wine and liquor license, the fee for the transfer is one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00); for a change from any class of either beer license or beer and wine license to the same class of beer, wine and liquor license, the fee for the transfer is two thousand dollars