

LICENSEE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD IN PERSON AND BY COUNSEL IN REFERENCE THERETO. THE WRITTEN NOTICE SHALL BE SERVED BY DELIVERY TO THE LICENSEE BY REGISTERED MAIL TO THE BUSINESS ADDRESS OF THE LICENSEE OF RECORD WITH THE ADMINISTRATION. THE HEARING ON THE CHARGES SHALL BE AT A TIME AND PLACE THE ADMINISTRATION PRESCRIBES. THE ADMINISTRATION MAY SUBPOENA AND BRING BEFORE IT ANY PERSON OR DOCUMENTS, AND TAKE THE TESTIMONY OF ANY PERSON UNDER OATH IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN JUDICIAL PROCEDURE IN THE COURTS OF THIS STATE IN CIVIL CASES, WITH THE SAME FEES AND MILEAGE AS PROVIDED BY LAW IN CIVIL CASES.

(C) IF THE ADMINISTRATION DETERMINES THAT ANY LICENSEE IS GUILTY OF ANY VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, THE AUTHORITY OF THE LICENSEE TO DO BUSINESS MAY BE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF TIME DETERMINED BY THE ADMINISTRATION. IF SUSPENDED, THE SUSPENSION SHALL BE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR.

(D) IF ANY APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS PART IS REFUSED, THE APPLICANT, WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF NOTICE OF REFUSAL IS MAILED, MAY REQUEST A HEARING. THE HEARING MUST BE HELD WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DATE OF REQUEST, AND THE ADMINISTRATION MUST RENDER A DECISION WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS FOLLOWING THE HEARING. THE ADMINISTRATION MAY SUBPOENA AND TAKE TESTIMONY, AS PROVIDED IN §5-808(B), IN CONNECTION WITH THE HEARING.

(E) IF ANY PERSON FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A LAWFUL ORDER OR SUBPOENA ISSUED BY THE ADMINISTRATION UNDER THIS PART OR TO APPEAR TO TESTIFY TO ANY MATTER CONCERNING WHICH HE MAY BE LAWFULLY INTERROGATED, UPON PETITION OF THE ADMINISTRATION, SETTING FORTH THE FACTS, IT IS THE DUTY OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ANY COUNTY OR OF THE BALTIMORE CITY COURT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, TO COMPEL THE PRODUCTION OF RELEVANT DOCUMENTS AND OTHER EVIDENCE. ANY PERSON FAILING, REFUSING, OR NEGLECTING TO COMPLY WITH THE ORDER OF THE COURT SHALL BE PUNISHED FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT.

(F) ANY PERSON DENIED A LICENSE OR WHOSE LICENSE HAS BEEN CANCELLED, REFUSED, SUSPENDED, OR REVOKED BY THE ADMINISTRATION MAY FILE AN APPEAL FOR A HEARING IN THE MATTER IN THE BALTIMORE CITY COURT OR IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY, AS THE CASE MAY BE, WHEREIN THE PERSON RESIDES, AND THE COURT HAS JURISDICTION TO TAKE TESTIMONY AND EXAMINE INTO THE FACTS OF THE CASE AND TO DETERMINE IF THE PETITIONER IS ENTITLED TO A LICENSE OR IS SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION, REFUSAL, CANCELLATION, OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or