

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
 Section 53 (5)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1976 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 2E - Alcoholic Beverages

53.

(5) (A) In Prince George's County, [no] A person, franchiser, franchisee, chain store operation, partnership, firm or corporation may NOT have any interest in more than one license, whether held or controlled by direct or indirect ownership, by franchise operation, by chain store operation, by stock ownership, interlocking directors or interlocking stock ownership, or in any other manner, directly or indirectly[, it being]. IT IS the intention of this [section] SUBSECTION to prohibit any such persons, franchiser, franchisee, chain store operation, firm, partnership or corporation from having any interest, directly or indirectly, in more than one license.

(B) This [section shall] SUBSECTION DOES not apply to licenses issued under the provisions of § 19 (i) (2) or § 19 (i) (5) or § 25 of this article or to club licenses.

(C) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY PERMIT AN INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, OR CORPORATION TO HAVE AS MANY BH LICENSES AS IT CONSIDERS NECESSARY NOT MORE THAN TWO BH LICENSES.

(D) If the board of license commissioners for Prince George's County, after conducting a hearing, determines that any person, franchiser, franchisee, chain store operation, partnership, firm or corporation has any interest in more than one license issued in contravention with the provisions above, the board shall revoke any license theretofore issued to a licensee where conflict of interest is determined.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 16, 1978.

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