

Section 175(a) and 177
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1979 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

175.

(a) The decision of the board of license commissioners for Baltimore City and the respective counties and of the State Appeal Board in every county not having a local board (except in the counties of Dorchester [,] and Somerset [and Wicomico], where the decision of the State Appeal Board shall be final), and of the mayor and aldermen of the City of Annapolis, in approving, suspending, revoking and restricting, or refusing to approve, suspend, revoke or restrict any license, or licensee, shall be subject to appeal in the following manner:

177.

(a) In the jurisdictions in which this section is applicable, within ten days from the date of the decision of the board of license commissioners and upon full payment of all the costs as hereinbefore in this subtitle provided, the decision of the boards of license commissioners in approving, suspending, revoking or restricting or refusing to approve, suspend, revoke or restrict any license, shall be subject to appeal to the State Appeal Board, by the applicant for any license, the licensee, or not less than ten citizens, voters and real estate owners, residing in the precinct or voting district in which the place of business is located or proposed to be located. Upon the filing of any such appeal, all papers and and testimony produced before the board of license commissioners shall be forwarded to the State Appeal Board within thirty days thereof upon the payment by the appellant or appellants, of all costs incident to the hearing before the board of license commissioners. Every such appeal shall be heard by all the State Appeal Board de novo; but said Appeal Board shall consider all the papers and testimony produced before the said boards. The noting of an appeal and payment of said costs shall stay the order of the board pending the determination of the appeal. It shall be the duty of the State Appeal Board to hear and determine all such appeals within thirty days from the date of the receipt of the papers and testimony from the board originally hearing the application, complaint or charges, and if the decision appealed from is reversed, the costs paid by the appellants shall be recoverable by the appellants from the appellees, in a civil action, and failure of the Appeal Board to determine the appeal within a period of thirty days, after
