

of Common Pleas of Baltimore City], the applicant for such license shall first file with the clerk, in duplicate, a written application therefor in such form, and verified in such manner, and containing such information as may be prescribed by regulations of the Comptroller. On or before the 10th day of each month the said clerk shall forward to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation a duplicate copy of each of the above-named licenses issued by him during the preceding month, together with a duplicate copy of the application for each such license. Provided, however, that this section, insofar as it relates to licenses for restaurants, shall not apply in Montgomery County, wherein such licenses shall be issued by the county, subject to such regulations, fees and charges in connection therewith and penalties for the violation thereof as may be prescribed by the County Council. However, within the confines of Baltimore County the clerk of the court may not issue any new or transferred traders license without first securing the approval of the zoning commissioner or his designated agent. In Howard County (1) the clerk of the court may not issue any new or transferred trader's license without first securing the approval of the director of the office of planning and zoning or his designated agent, and (2) the director or his designated agent must notify the clerk of the court of his approval or disapproval within 3 working days after the license application is submitted to him for review.

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(d) For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this article the Comptroller or any duly authorized agent or representative designated by him:

(1) May conduct investigations and hold hearings concerning any matter covered by this subtitle at any time or place within the State of Maryland.

(2) In the conduct of any investigation or hearing, may require by subpoena or summons the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of any books, accounts, records, papers and correspondence relating to any matter, which the Comptroller is authorized by this subtitle to determine.

(3) May sign subpoenas, administer oaths and affirmations, examine witnesses and receive evidence.

(4) In case of disobedience of any subpoena; or the contumacy of any witness appearing before the Comptroller or his duly authorized agent or representative, the Comptroller may apply to the circuit court of any of the counties [or to the Baltimore City Court] for an order. Such court may thereupon issue an order requiring the person subpoenaed to obey the subpoena or to give evidence or