

~~(EX) A PERSON THAT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, PARENT CORPORATION, OR OTHER ENTITY THAT OWNS SIX OR MORE RESTAURANT GROUPS THAT EACH HAVE DISTINCT CUISINES AND THAT ARE DESIGNATED BY SEPARATE BRANDS OR CONCEPTS MAY BE ISSUED ONE CLASS BLX LICENSE THAT MAY BE USED FOR ALL THE RESTAURANTS IN A GROUP.~~

(j) (1) This subsection applies only in Charles County.

(4) (i) There is in addition to the classes provided for, a special Class B license known as a Class BLX, which is issued only to luxury-type restaurants.

(ii) The Class BLX license shall be applied for in the same manner as are other classes of licenses.

(iii) The license fee is ~~[\$2,400]~~ \$1,500.

(iv) A luxury-type restaurant shall be defined by the Board of [Liquor] License Commissioners.

(v) [The] TO QUALIFY FOR A CLASS BLX LICENSE A restaurant [may not] SHALL have:

1. [Less than a] A minimum capital investment of ~~[\$550,000]~~ \$1,000,000 for the dining room facilities and kitchen equipment, not including the cost of land, buildings, or leases; and

2. A seating capacity of [less than] AT LEAST 150 persons.

~~(VI) A HOLDER OF A CLASS BLX LICENSE MAY SERVE MEALS ONLY FROM 2 P.M. UNTIL THE LEGAL CLOSING HOUR.~~

~~(VII) THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY NOT ISSUE MORE THAN 15 CLASS BLX LICENSES.~~

~~(VIII) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION IN THIS ARTICLE, IN THE 28TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF CHARLES COUNTY, A PERSON MAY NOT HOLD MORE THAN SIX CLASS BLX LICENSES. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, AN INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, JOINT VENTURE, ASSOCIATION, OR OTHER PERSON OR COMBINATION OF PERSONS MAY NOT HAVE A DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST IN ANY COMBINATION IN MORE THAN 6 CLASS B-BLX LICENSES.~~

(VII) AN INDIRECT INTEREST IS PRESUMED TO EXIST BETWEEN ANY COMBINATION OF INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES, PARTNERSHIPS, LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS, JOINT VENTURES, ASSOCIATIONS, OR OTHER PERSONS IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS EXIST BETWEEN THEM:

1. A COMMON PARENT COMPANY;
2. A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT;
3. A LICENSING AGREEMENT;
4. A CONCESSION AGREEMENT;