

CHAPTER 580

(Senate Bill 833)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a franchised operation in Baltimore City from having an interest in more than a certain number of alcoholic beverages licenses, regardless of how a license is to be held or controlled for that operation; providing for certain exceptions ~~for renewals~~; stating the intention of this Act; and generally relating to a prohibition on franchised operations in Baltimore City having an interest in more than a certain number of alcoholic beverages licenses.

BY adding to

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
Section 48(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1981 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

48.

In the enumerated subdivisions below, a person, partnership, firm or corporation, except by way of renewal, may not have an interest in more than one license, whether held or controlled by direct or indirect ownership, by stock ownership, interlocking directors or interlocking stock ownership, or in any other manner, directly or indirectly. It is the intention of this section to prohibit any person, firm, partnership or corporation from having any interest, directly or indirectly, in more than one license.

~~(5) - (1) - IN BALTIMORE CITY, EXCEPT BY WAY OF RENEWAL, A PERSON, FRANCHISOR, OR FRANCHISEE OPERATION MAY NOT HAVE AN INTEREST IN MORE THAN 1 LICENSE, WHETHER THAT LICENSE IS TO BE HELD OR CONTROLLED BY:~~

~~1. DIRECT OR INDIRECT OWNERSHIP,~~

~~2. A FRANCHISE OPERATION,~~

~~3. STOCK OWNERSHIP,~~