

(iv) A holder of a wholesale alcoholic beverages license is considered a licensee for purposes of this subsection and may not hold or have an interest, directly or indirectly, in an alcoholic beverages license of any class that authorizes retail sale of alcoholic beverages in Prince George's County.

(2) This subsection does not apply to licenses issued under the provisions of § 17B, § 19(r)(2), (3), (5), (7), or (10), or § 25 of this article or to club licenses.

(3) Notwithstanding other provisions of this subsection or other provisions of this article, the Board of License Commissioners may permit an individual, partnership, or corporation to hold or have an interest in not more than four BH licenses.

(4) If the Board of License Commissioners determines after a hearing that an interest exists in more than one license, the Board shall refuse to approve the issuance of a new license or revoke an existing license, unless the license is operational and complied with law applicable at the time of its issuance.

[(f)](G) [In Prince George's County, if] IF an existing license has been issued to individuals for the use of a corporation or club and thereafter the licensee desires to substitute one or more of the officers of such corporation or club, the substitution may be requested by filing with the Board of License Commissioners for the county a petition setting forth the necessary information for the substitution or substitutions without the necessity of filing a formal application for transfer of license as otherwise provided in this article. The petition for substitution of officers shall be approved by the Board upon a proper showing that the licensee would still meet the requirements of the law as set forth elsewhere in this article.

[(g)](H) [In Prince George's County no] AN alcoholic^{*}beverage license with an off-sale privilege of any class, except by way of renewal, [shall] MAY NOT be transferred or issued to any business establishment of the type commonly known as chain stores, supermarkets, discount houses or their franchisors and franchisees or concessionaires. [except, however, that] HOWEVER, those establishments holding an alcoholic beverage license at the time of enactment of this section may continue to hold such license, and may, at the discretion of the Board of License Commissioners, change the classification of their license.

[(h)](I) [In Prince George's County, an] AN application for an alcoholic beverage license [shall not] MAY NOT be considered prima facie evidence that the applicant or applicants are entitled to [said] THE license. Because of the limitation on licenses as set forth in subsection [(a)] (B) of this section the burden of proof [shall be] IS upon the applicant or applicants to show to the Board of License Commissioners that the approval of the issuance of a license to [said] THE applicant or applicants is necessary for the accommodation of the public at the premises applied for. The limitations on licenses enumerated in subsection [(a)] (B) of this section may not be construed as the number of licenses the Board is obligated to issue.

[(i)](J) [In Prince George's County, the] THE residency requirement provided for in § 40 of this article [shall apply] APPLIES to any issuance, renewal, or transfer of a license.