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(e) (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] ISSUE a new license or SHALL revoke an existing license, unless the license is operational and complied with law applicable at the time of its issuance.

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

53D.

~~[In] THE Somerset County[, the] Board of License Commissioners may not [approve] ISSUE any license to sell alcoholic beverages within a 300 foot measurement from the nearest point of the building that is the proposed establishment for which the license is requested to the nearest point of the property line of a school, church or other place of worship, public library, or youth center. This section [may] DOES not apply to the issuance of special or temporary licenses.~~

54.

(a) Every application for a manufacturer's or for a wholesaler's license, or for any form of a Class E (on sale — steamboats) or of a Class F (on sale — railroads) or of a Class G (on sale — airplanes) license shall be filed with the Comptroller. Every application for any of the other licenses [herein provided for places of business to be operated in Baltimore City, shall be filed with the board of license commissioners for Baltimore City, and all applications for any such other license in the counties, where authorized, shall be filed with the board of license commissioners, if any, or the clerk of the circuit court of the county in which] FOR WHICH THIS ARTICLE PROVIDES SHALL BE FILED WITH THE LOCAL LICENSING BOARD WHERE the place of business is to be located[, if there be no such board].

(c) Whenever the place of business sought to be licensed lies equally in more than one county, or in the City of Baltimore and a county, it shall be deemed to be wholly within the county or the City of Baltimore which has the most expensive license fee; and all alcoholic beverage laws of that place shall govern the licensing, regulation and operation of the entire place of business. The [clerk of the court or other appropriate agency granting] LOCAL COLLECTING AGENT COLLECTING A FEE FOR a license under [the provisions of] this subsection shall [divide into equal portions the license fee collected by him, less a fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for the issuance thereof, in lieu of commissions, and shall] remit equal portions OF THE FEE to the [clerks of the two courts] LOCAL COLLECTING AGENTS in the [jurisdictions of which such premises lie] COUNTIES OR COUNTY AND CITY WHERE THE PLACE LIES.