

[15-301.

(a) In Dorchester County, there shall be a Liquor Control Board to consist of three members, who shall first be appointed by the Governor for terms of two, three, and four years; thereafter their successors shall be appointed by the Governor for terms of four years. The Governor may appoint a person to fill a vacancy in the Board for the unexpired portion of the term. The Board shall designate a chairman and a secretary from among its members.

(b) Each member of the Board shall receive an annual salary of \$2,500. The Board shall hold at least two scheduled meetings each month to perform the duties imposed on them by this subtitle.

(c) The Board may establish and maintain four stores, said stores to be known as the Dorchester liquor dispensaries, for the sale of all alcoholic beverages except beer, in sealed packages or containers, which packages or containers shall not be opened nor their contents consumed upon the premises where sold. The location of any liquor dispensaries established on or after July 1, 1972 are subject to approval by the County Commissioners of Dorchester County.]

[15-302.

For the purpose of establishing and operating said dispensary, the County Commissioners of Dorchester County may advance, from time to time to the Liquor Control Board, such sum or sums of money, not exceeding \$15,000, as may be necessary to provide adequate working capital for said Liquor Control Board and said County Commissioners may borrow, upon the credit of said County, such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet such advances, and the said Liquor Control Board may also borrow, from time to time, upon the credit of said Board from any banking institution; provided, however, that the aggregate sum advanced to or borrowed by the Liquor Control Board shall at no time exceed \$15,000. All sums advanced to the Liquor Control Board by the County Commissioners and all sums borrowed by the County Commissioners or the Liquor Control Board shall bear interest not exceeding 4% per annum, and shall be paid together with the interest thereon, out of the receipts from sales made at the County liquor dispensary.]

[15-303.

(a) The Liquor Control Board shall have full power and authority:

(1) To appoint such employees as may be necessary to conduct such County liquor dispensary, fix their compensation and require such bonds for the faithful performance of their duties as the Board may in each case determine.

(2) To purchase from any licensed wholesaler or manufacturer any alcoholic beverage except beer upon which tax imposed by § 5-102 of the Tax - General Article has been paid, and to purchase from any nonresident producer or dealer any such alcoholic beverages and import the same for resale, as hereinafter provided; but such importations shall not be resold until the excise tax has been paid.

(3) To sell such alcoholic beverages in sealed containers, as above provided, at such prices as may be determined by the Board.