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CHAPTER 384

(House Bill 504)

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages - Local Licensing Boards - Appeals to Circuit Courts

FOR the purpose of establishing that a certain alcoholic beverages licensee or a certain alcoholic beverages applicant may appeal a decision of a local alcoholic beverages licensing board to the circuit court of the county under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the appeal of a final decision of a local alcoholic beverages licensing board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16-101(a) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

16-101.

(a) The decision of a local licensing board, in approving, suspending, revoking and restricting, or refusing to approve, suspend, revoke or restrict [any] A license, or A licensee, shall be subject to appeal in the manner provided in this section.

~~(b) (1) (i) Except in Howard County, any ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES licensee ISSUED A LICENSE BY THE LOCAL LICENSING BOARD, [or] AN applicant for [a] AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES license FROM THE LOCAL LICENSING BOARD THAT MADE THE DECISION, or any group of not less than 10 persons who are residents or real estate owners in the precinct or voting district in which the licensed place of business is located or proposed to be located, may appeal therefrom to the circuit court of the county upon payment of all costs incident to the hearing before the local licensing board.~~

(B) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE FOLLOWING PERSONS MAY APPEAL A DECISION OF A LOCAL LICENSING BOARD TO THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY UPON PAYMENT OF ALL COSTS INCIDENT TO THE HEARING BEFORE THE LOCAL LICENSING BOARD:

(1) ANY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSEE THAT HOLDS A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE LOCAL LICENSING BOARD;