

individual applying for a license to disclose whether the individual has ever been convicted of a [controlled dangerous substance offense] DRUG CRIME committed on or after January 1, 1991.

(b) Subject to the provisions of § 1-505 of this subtitle, if an individual applying for a license has been convicted of a [controlled dangerous substance offense] DRUG CRIME committed on or after January 1, 1991, a licensing authority may:

(1) Refuse to issue a license to the individual; or

(2) Issue a license subject to any terms and conditions that the licensing authority deems appropriate under § 1-504 of this subtitle.

1-503.

Subject to the provisions of § 1-505 of this subtitle, if a licensing authority receives notification under [Article 27, § 298A of the Code] § 5-810 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE that a licensee has been convicted of a [controlled dangerous substance offense] DRUG CRIME committed on or after January 1, 1991, the licensing authority may:

(1) (i) Place the licensee on probation for a reasonable period of time; or

(ii) Suspend or revoke the license or reprimand the licensee;

(2) Assess the licensee, in accordance with applicable regulations, all or part of the cost of any disciplinary proceeding and sanction; or

(3) Impose any other sanction or take any other action authorized by law.

1-505.

(b) In deciding whether to deny an applicant's application for a license or whether to impose license sanctions against a licensee and the nature of the sanctions, a licensing authority shall consider the following factors:

(1) The relationship between the [controlled dangerous substance offense] DRUG CRIME and the license, including:

(i) The licensee's ability to perform the tasks authorized by the license; and

(ii) Whether the public will be protected if:

1. In the case of an applicant, the license is issued; or

2. In the case of a licensee, the license is not suspended or revoked;

(2) The nature and circumstances of the [controlled dangerous substance offense] DRUG CRIME;