

(1) For the first offense, a \$100 fine; and

(2) For each subsequent offense, a fine not to exceed \$500 or a suspension or revocation of the license or both.

(e) (1) The State Comptroller:

(I) ~~[shall] SHALL, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE,~~ approve and certify each alcohol awareness program that is in compliance with this section; AND

(II) MAY REQUIRE RECERTIFICATION OF THE APPROVED PROGRAM TO INSURE COMPLIANCE WITH ANY CHANGES IN THE PROGRAM.

(2) The alcoholic beverages license issuing authority in each county and Baltimore City is responsible for enforcing this section, including the penalty provision.

(3) (i) A certificate of completion shall be issued for EACH completion of a certified program AND IT SHALL BE VALID FOR 4 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE.

(ii) [A] AN UP-TO-DATE VALID certificate shall be presented to the proper authority upon request.

(4) (i) Within 5 days after a licensee or an employee of a licensee is sent a certificate of completion, the program provider shall inform the alcoholic beverages licensing authority of:

1. The individual's name, address, and certification date; and
2. The name and address of the licensed establishment.

(ii) Any program provider who violates the provisions of this subsection is subject to a decertification of the program by the State Comptroller.

(f) (1) This section may not be construed to create or enlarge any civil cause of action or criminal proceeding against a licensee.

(2) Evidence of a violation of this section may not be introduced in any civil or criminal proceeding, but may only be used as evidence before the alcoholic beverages license issuing authority in actions brought before the license issuing authority for violations of this section.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That a holder or holder designee of an off-sale alcoholic beverages license shall complete the alcohol awareness program by July 1, 1993.