

BY adding to

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 10-103(b)(13)(x)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

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10-103.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, every new application for a license shall be made to the Board of License Commissioners upon forms prescribed by the Comptroller and sworn to by the applicant. Every application for a license shall contain the following statements:

(13) (X) 1. THIS SUBPARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY IN GARRETT COUNTY.

2. IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, "APPLICANT" INCLUDES:

A. AN APPLICANT FOR RENEWAL OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE; AND

B. A SHAREHOLDER, MEMBER, PARTNER, OWNER, OR OTHER PERSON WITH AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT APPLIES FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE.

3. THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MAY:

A. OBTAIN CRIMINAL RECORDS OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE APPLICANT FROM THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM CENTRAL REPOSITORY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES AND FROM OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES;

B. REQUIRE AN APPLICANT TO BE FINGERPRINTED;

C. FORWARD THE FINGERPRINTS THROUGH THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR A NATIONAL CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK; AND

D. SET A FEE TO COVER THE COST OF OBTAINING THE FINGERPRINTS AND STATE AND NATIONAL CRIMINAL RECORDS.

4. CRIMINAL RECORDS SHALL BE KEPT IN A SEALED ENVELOPE ACCESSIBLE ONLY BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THEIR CLERKS, AND THE CRIMINAL RECORDS SHALL BE DESTROYED ON COMPLETION OF THEIR NECESSARY USE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October~~ July 1, 1998.