1998 LAWS OF MARYLAND

- (2) (i) This paragraph applies solely to hotel and restaurant licenses.
 - (ii) The annual license fee is:
 - 1. For a restaurant \$1,100; and
 - 2. For a hotel \$1,650.
 - (iii) 1. This license may be issued to a bona fide hotel which:
- A. Is an establishment for the accommodation of the public providing services ordinarily found in hotels; and
- B. Is equipped with not fewer than 25 rooms, a lobby with registration and mail desk and seating facilities and a dining room which serves full-course meals at least twice daily.
- 2. A hotel license does not permit sales for consumption off the premises.
 - (iv) 1. This license may be issued to a restaurant which:
- A. Is a business establishment for the accommodation of the public;
- B. Is fully equipped with a proper and adequate dining room with facilities for preparing and serving regular meals;
- C. Has a regular seating capacity at tables (not including seats at bars or counters) for 75 or more persons seated comfortably and adequately[, allowing 15 square feet per person] AND SHALL MEET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF THE FIRE CODE APPLICABLE TO THE JURISDICTION WHERE THE RESTAURANT IS LOCATED; and
- D. Has the average daily receipts from the sale of foods for each month exceed the average daily receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages. In calculating average daily receipts from the sale of foods, no allocation of foodstuff contained in any mixed drink may be included in average daily receipts from the sale of food.
- 2. The seating [and square foot requirements] do not affect present Class B beer, wine and liquor licensees.
- 3. This license requires the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption only on the inside of the restaurant premises. A person may not enter or egress the premises while in possession of any alcoholic beverages.
- (v) 1. Except for the purchase of beer and light wine, the holder shall purchase all of the alcoholic beverages that are sold for consumption on the premises from the County dispensary.
- 2. The County dispensary may not charge the holder more than 15 percent above the wholesale operation cost to the dispensary for each item that the holder purchases.