

[[SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That new Section 143(a) be and it is hereby added to Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) to read as follows:]]

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

143.

[[ (A) IN ALLEGANY COUNTY, A RETAIL LICENSE WHICH HAS BEEN REFUSED, SUSPENDED, OR REVOKED AFTER JULY 1, 1976, MAY NOT BE GRANTED UNTIL THE APPLICANT HAS EXECUTED A BOND TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND IN THE PENAL SUM OF \$1,000, WITH TWO SUFFICIENT SURETIES TO BE APPROVED BY THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ALLEGANY COUNTY. THE BOND SHALL BE CONDITIONED FOR THE FAITHFUL OBSERVANCE OF ALL LAWS OF THIS STATE RELATING TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND THE PAYMENT OF ALL COSTS, FINES, AND PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON THE APPLICANT IN ANY WARRANT OR INDICTMENT FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE OR ANY OTHER LAW RELATING TO THE SALE OR FURNISHING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN ALLEGANY COUNTY. THE BOND, WHEN APPROVED, SHALL BE DEPOSITED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ALLEGANY COUNTY WHO SHALL RECORD THE BOND IN A BOOK KEPT BY HIM FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE RECORD OF THE BOND, OR A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE RECORD, SHALL BE EVIDENCE IN ANY COURT OF LAW. ]]

[(a) In Allegany County no license shall be issued to any person or persons until such person or persons shall have executed a bond to the State of Maryland in the penal sum of \$1,000.00 with two sufficient sureties to be approved by the clerk of the Circuit Court for Allegany County, conditioned for the faithful observance of all the laws of this State relating to the sale or furnishing of alcoholic beverages, and to pay all costs, fines, and penalties, which may be imposed upon him or them on any warrant or indictment for violation of this article or any other act of assembly relating to selling or furnishing intoxicating beverages as aforesaid, and the said bond when so approved shall be deposited with said clerk, who shall record the same in a book to be kept by him for that purpose, and said clerk shall be entitled to a fee of fifty cents therefor to be paid by the applicant for such license, and the record thereof, or duly certified copy, shall be evidence in any court of law; but no person shall be accepted as a surety on any such bond who is interested in or engaged in the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages and no person shall be accepted as surety on more than one bond in any one year, provided further that any surety company duly organized may act as sole surety upon the license bond or license bonds required by this article, and such bonds shall be approved by the clerk of the Circuit Court for Allegany County in the same manner as if there were two persons sureties thereon.]