

ORDINANCE
RELATING TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR IN THE
COUNTY OF CHRISTIAN, STATE OF ILLINOIS, OUTSIDE THE
CORPORATE LIMITS OF ANY CITY, VILLAGE OR
INCORPORATED TOWN.

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WHEREAS, by the Act of the Legislature entitled "An Act Relating to Alcoholic Liquor" approved January 31, 1934, effective February 1, 1934, as amended by Act approved June 18, 1957, the County Board was given power by general ordinance or resolution to determine the number, time and classification of license for the sale, at retail, of alcoholic liquor not inconsistent with said act and the amount of said local license fees to be paid for various kinds of licenses to be issued and the manner of distribution of said fees after their collection, and to establish such further regulations and restrictions upon the issues of and such further operation under local licenses not inconsistent with the law.

WHEREAS, the Christian County Board desires to amend and restate the existing Ordinance relating to this issue.

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Christian County, Illinois, that the following Ordinance establishing rules and regulations relating to the sale of alcoholic liquor in Christian County, Illinois, be, and the same is, hereby adopted: and further, that all existing Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance, be and the same are hereby repealed.

1. **DEFINITIONS.** Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms as used in this Ordinance shall be construed according to the definitions given below:

(a) **Alcohol.** Means the product of distillation of any fermented liquid, whether rectified or diluted, whatever may be the origin thereof, and includes synthetic ethyl alcohol. It does not include denatured alcohol or wood alcohol.

(b) **Wine.** Means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of the natural contents of fruits or vegetables, containing sugar, including such beverages when fortified by the addition of alcohol as above defined.

(c) **Beer.** Means a beverage obtained by alcoholic fermentation of an infusion or concoction of barley, or other grain, malt and hops in water, and includes, among other things, beer, ale, stout, lager beer, porter and the like.

(d) **Alcoholic Liquor.** Includes the three varieties of liquor above defined (alcohol, wine and beer) and every liquid or solid, patented or not, containing alcohol, wine or beer, and capable of being consumed as a beverage by a human being. The provisions of this resolution shall not apply to any liquid or solid containing one-half of one percent, or less, of alcohol by volume.

(e) Sale. Means any transfer, exchange or barter in any manner or by means whatsoever for a consideration, and includes and means all sales made by any person whether principal, proprietor, agent, servant, or employee.

(f) To Sell. Means to solicit or to receive an order for, to keep or to expose for sale and to keep with intent to sell.

(g) Retail Sale. The sale for use or consumption and not for resale.

(h) Restaurant. Any public place kept, used, maintained, advertised and held out to the public as a place where meals are served and where meals are actually and regularly served, without sleeping accommodations, such space being provided with adequate and sanitary kitchen and dining room equipment and capacity and having employed therein a sufficient number and kind of employees to prepare, cook and serve suitable food for its guests.

(i) Hotel. Every building or other structure kept, used, maintained, advertised and held out to the public to be a place where food is actually served and consumed and sleeping accommodations are offered for adequate pay to travelers and guests, whether transient, permanent or residential, in which twenty-five (25) or more rooms are used for the sleeping accommodations of such guests, and having one or more public dining room where meals are served to such guests, such sleeping accommodations and dining rooms being conducted in the same building or buildings in connection there with and such building or buildings, structure or structures being provided with adequate and sanitary kitchen and dining room equipment and capacity.

(j) Club. A corporation organized under the laws of this State, not for pecuniary profit, solely for the promotion of some common object other than the sale or consumption of alcoholic liquors, kept, used and maintained by its members through the payment of annual dues, and owning, hiring or leasing a building or space in a building, of such extent and character as may be suitable and adequate for the reasonable and comfortable use and accommodation of its members and their guests and provided with suitable and adequate kitchen and dining room space and equipment and maintaining a sufficient number of servants and employees for cooking, preparing and serving food and meals for its members and their guest; provided that such club files with the local Liquor Control Commissioner at the time of its application for a license under this Ordinance, two copies of a list of names and residences of its officers and similarly files within ten (10) days of the election of any additional officer his name and address; and provided further, that its affairs and management are conducted by a board of directors, executive committee, or similar body chosen by the members at their annual meeting and that no member or any officer, agent or employee of the club is paid, or directly or indirectly receives, in the form of salary or other compensation of any profit from the distribution or sale of alcoholic liquor to the club or the members of the club or its guests introduced by members beyond the amount of such salary as may be fixed and voted at any annual meeting, by the members or by its board of directors or other governing body out of the general revenue of the club.

(k) Bowling Alley. Every establishment or building, or part of an establishment or building, as the case may be, wherein the game of bowling played with composition balls and ten wooden pins, is played.

(l) Corporation. Means any corporation, domestic or foreign qualified to do business in the State of Illinois under "The Business Corporation Act" of Illinois. Satisfactory evidence of corporate organization and existence and of such qualification will be furnished to the County Liquor Control Commission. At least one officer of the Corporation must meet the residency requirements outlined in Section 1 (m) below.

(m) Residency Required. Residency is defined as living in Christian County, Illinois, with the intention of making it a permanent home. Proof may be established by any of the two (2) following terms:

- (1) Paid utility or telephone bill.
- (2) Date children registered in school.
- (3) Rent Receipt.
- (4) Date deed recorded of property purchased.

(n) Wine-maker. Means a person engaged in the making of less than 50,000 gallons of wine annually.

2. **LICENSE REQUIRED.** It shall be unlawful to sell or offer for sale at retail in this County outside of the corporate limits of any city, village or incorporated town for consumption on the premises, or in bottles, packages or containers, or otherwise, any alcoholic liquor without having a retail liquor dealer's license issued and approved as hereinafter provided. It shall be unlawful so to sell or offer for sale any alcoholic liquor in violation of the terms or provisions of this ordinance, or in violation of any of the terms and conditions of such license.

3. **APPLICATIONS.** Applications for such license shall be made to the County Clerk in writing and signed by the applicant, verified by oath or affidavit, shall clearly state the class of license for which application is made, and shall contain the following information and statements.

(a) The age, name and address of the applicant in the case of an individual, and in the case of a co-partnership, the persons entitled to share in the profits thereof; and in the case of a club, the date of incorporation, the objects for which it was organized, the names and address of the officers and directors, and must have fingerprinting conducted by the Christian County Sheriff's Office.

(b) The citizenship of the applicant, his place of birth, and if naturalized citizen, the time and place of his naturalization.

(c) The character of business of the applicant.

- (d) The length of time that said applicant has been in business of that character.
- (e) The location and description of the premises or place of business which is to be operated under such license.
- (f) A statement whether applicant has made similar application for a similar license on premises other than that described in the application, and the disposition of such application.
- (g) A statement that applicant has never been convicted of a felony and is not disqualified to receive a license by reason of any matter or thing contained in this resolution, or the laws of this State.
- (h) Whether a previous license by any State, or subdivision thereof, or by the Federal Government has been revoked, and the reason thereof.
- (i) A statement that the applicant will not violate any of the laws of the State of Illinois or of the United States in the conduct of his place of business.
- (j) If said application is made in behalf of a partnership, club or corporation, then the same shall be signed and sworn to by all members of such partnership, or by the president and secretary of such club, as well as by the Officers or Board of Directors of said corporation.
- (k) A statement that applicant has a valid Certificate of Registration with the Illinois Department of Revenue and provide the Registration number.
- (l) A statement that the applicant is in good standing as a Domestic Corporation with the Secretary of State.

4. **RESTRICTION OF LICENSES.** No such license shall be issued to:

- (a) A person ineligible to procure State License.
- (b) A person who is not a resident of the County and in the case of a lessee, who has not been a resident of Christian County, Illinois, for at least one (1) year prior to the making of such application. A person who owns the premises, for which a license is sought must be a resident of Christian County for only ninety (90) days prior to the making of such application.
- (c) A person who is not of good character and reputation in the community in which he resides.
- (d) A person who is not a citizen of the United States.

(e) Any person who has been convicted of a felony under any Federal or State Law, if the commissioner determines, after investigation, that such person has not been sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust.

(f) A person who has been convicted of being the keeper or is keeping a house of ill fame.

(g) A person who has been convicted of pandering or other crime of misdemeanor opposed to decency and morality.

(h) A person whose license issued under this Ordinance has been revoked for cause.

(i) A person who at the time of application for renewal of any license issued hereunder would not be eligible for such license upon a first application.

(j) A Club, Co-Partnership, or Corporation, if any officer, manager, director or partner thereof would not be eligible to receive a license hereunder for any reason other than residence within the political subdivision. If the officers change during the license period, the Liquor Commissioner and County Clerk shall be notified, and continuation of the license will be subject to the Liquor Commissioner's approval. At least one officer or partner of any Club, Partnership, or Corporation must meet the residency requirements required herein.

(k) A person whose place of business is conducted by a manager or agent unless said manager or agent possesses the same qualifications required of the licensee.

(l) A person, partnership, club or corporation shall be eligible for only one license. The same name shall not appear on two licenses.

(m) A person who has been convicted of a violation of any Federal or State law concerning the manufacture, possession or sale of alcoholic liquor, subsequent to the passage of this Ordinance or who shall have forfeited his bond to appear in Court to answer any charges for any such violation.

(n) A person who does not own the premises for which a license is sought, or does not have a lease thereon for the full period for which the license is to be issued, nor to any person unless said person at the time of the issuance of a license has ready suitable premises to be occupied as a retail liquor establishment so that said premises can be inspected by the Liquor Commission before the purposes license is used.

(o) Any law enforcing public official, any mayor or alderman, or member of the City Council or Commission, or any president of the Village Board of Trustees, any member of a Village Board of Trustees, or any president or member of a County Board; and no such official shall be interested in any way either directly or indirectly in the sale of alcoholic liquor provided for under this Ordinance.

(p) Any person not eligible for a State retail liquor dealer's license.

Liquor Licenses operating under the licenses issued by the County, and the Board hereby announces as its present policy, the fixing or the maximum number of all retail liquor licenses to be issued and in force in the County at any time to be hereby set at a maximum of twenty-five (25).

(q) Any person, co-partnership, club or corporation when at the time of filing of an application for license there are already twenty-five (25) duly licensed taverns operating under the licenses issued by the County, and the Board hereby announces as its present policy, the fixing of the maximum number of all retail liquor licenses to be issued and in force in the County at any time to be hereby set at a maximum of twenty-five (25), exclusive of any club licenses that maybe issued by said Board, and that the maximum number of no more than two (2) licenses hereunder may be now issued to Clubs and that they may exceed the maximum number of all tavern licenses issued by this Board, except that should any license, either tavern or club license hereinafter be not applied for, revoked, or surrendered, the legal limit of all retail liquor dealer licenses in force and effect, at any one time under the authority of the Liquor Committee of Christian County, shall be automatically reduced until the total number of all licenses, both club and retail tavern licenses shall not exceed twenty-five (25). If it further provided that should any Township in the County in which taverns or clubs are operating under license from the County Liquor Committee be voted dry by the voters of the Township, then the legal limit of licenses allowed to be in force and effect at any one time under the authority of the Liquor Committee of Christian County shall automatically be reduced by the number of licenses which were issued, in force and in operation in the township in question, pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance, at the time said Township become dry territory.

(r) If a tavern remains closed for fifty (50) per cent of the period of time covered by the license period, then the County Liquor Commissioner may in the exercise of his discretion refuse to renew the license. Just cause for closing should be shown if application for renewal is made.

5. **SPECIAL USE LICENSE.** Liquor license holders may extend their liquor license up to two times per year which would allow them to operate outside of their immediate establishments. Requirements for a Special Use License to be considered for approval by the County Board are as follows:
1. A fee of \$50 per event.
 2. The annual license renewal period would designate the period for the events.
 3. Applicant must provide proof for special security during the special event.
 4. Applicant must provide proof of an additional insurance rider for the event.
 5. The type of alcohol to be served will be determined by what is allowed under the applicant's permanent liquor license.
 6. Special Use License is only valid from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the date listed on the special use license.

6. **PACKAGE LIQUOR.**

- (a) The provision of this ordinance shall be construed as permitting the issuing of license for the operation of package liquor stores, and such licenses for the operation of package liquor store or stores shall be issued under the authority of this Board.
 - (b) No provision of this ordinance with reference to issuing of tavern licenses shall be construed as permitting the sale of package liquor outside the licensed premises, that is, the customer must come inside the licensed premises and the package liquor cannot be sold through a door or window of the licensed premises.
7. **TERM-PRORATING FEE.** Each such license shall terminate on the first day of April, next following its issuance. The fee to be paid shall be reduced in proportion to the full calendar months which have expired in the year prior to the issuance of the license.
8. The following are the current Classes and fees in the Christian County Ordinance.

CLASSIFICATION AND FEES

- (a) **Class A licenses** shall offer the retail sale on the premises specified in the license of alcoholic liquor either for consumption on the premises or packaged liquor to go. The annual license fee for such licenses shall be \$600.00 payable in advance.
- (b) **Class B licenses** shall authorize the retail sale and consumption on the premises of ales, beer and wine. The annual license fee for such licenses shall be \$300.00 payable in advance.
- (c) **Class C licenses** shall authorize the retail sale of ales, beer, and wine, in the original container only and not for consumption on the premises described in the license. The annual license fee shall be \$200.00 payable in advance.
- (d) **Class D licenses/Wine-Maker License** shall authorize a wine-maker to allow on-premises wine-tasting by and the retail sale of wine to members of the general public. The wine-maker shall comply with all state and federal laws governing said wine-making operation and the sale and production of alcoholic beverages. No more than one-third (1/3) of the wine sold by the wine-maker shall be produced by someone other than the wine-maker. A holder of a class D license shall also be allowed to offer the retail sale on the premises specified in the license of alcoholic liquor either in the original container or for consumption on the premises. The license fee for a wine-makers license shall be \$600.00 payable in advance.
- (e) **Class E - Special Event Liquor License-Temporary Permit** for beer and wine only, allows any bona fide educational, fraternal, political, civic, religious or other non-profit organization to SELL alcohol for consumption within specifically designated areas. The fee per day is \$100 for non-residents and \$75 for county residents.

- (f) **Class F - Special Use (Catering) License** to sell all alcoholic liquors for consumption on the premises for which a special use permit has been issued. For the purposes of this classification, a “Special Use (Catering)” License allows a business which provides liquor for sale and its service for social or business affairs at an off premise site (vendor’s place of business) the opportunity to do business for special events. The fee for the special use (catering) liquor license Class F is proposed to be \$75/day/event at the same location.

The owner of the business or real estate where the alcoholic liquors are sold is responsible for ensuring the Class F License is purchased before any alcoholic liquors are sold or served on their property. Fines for failing to ensure the license is purchased are as follows:

- (a) 1st Offense - \$75.00 for the license and \$25.00 fine
- (b) 2nd Offense - \$250.00 fine
- (c) 3rd Offense and all subsequent offenses - \$500 fine

- (g) **Class G licenses**, which shall permit and authorize an on premise microbrewery that produces beer in compliance with state and federal licenses authorizing the production, storage, and distribution of an alcoholic beverage and shall further authorize the retail sale of the other alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises where sold as well as other retail sales of such liquor. The fee for Class G is \$600.00 annually.

Effective on the date of this ordinance amendment;

- Special Event (Class E) and Special Use (Class F) Liquor License(s) will both require the submission of a completed application a minimum of 30 days prior to the applicable event.
- Applications for applicable county fairs will require the submission of a completed application a minimum of 30 days prior to the applicable fair.
- Applications for liquor license, including liquor license renewal, not obtained on or by the applicable time requirements shall be subject to double fees as contained in this ordinance; provided, however, that any annual license renewal not sought within 60 days of its termination shall be considered surrendered, terminated and revoked.

9. **DISPOSITION OF FEES.** All such fees shall be paid to the County Clerk at the time application is made, and shall be forthwith turned over to the County Treasurer. In the event the license applied for is denied, the fee shall be returned to the applicant; however, before returning to the applicant the fee which has been advanced, the Clerk shall deduct there from and withhold an amount sufficient to reimburse the County for all necessary costs and expenses which have been incurred in investigating and considering the application for license. If the license is granted, then the fee shall be deposited in the general corporate fund

or in such other fund as shall have been designated by the County Board by proper action. In any event, the applicant shall pay in advance for the hearing to be held to consider his application for a license.

10. **LIST.** The County Clerk shall keep or cause to be kept a complete record of all licenses issued by him; and shall furnish the Chairman of the Board, or his duly appointed assistants thereof. Upon the issuance of any new license, or the revocation of any old license, the County Clerk shall give written notice of such action to each of these officers within forty-eight (48) hours of such action.
11. **TRANSFER OF LICENSE.** A license shall be purely a personal privilege, good for not to exceed 6 months after issuance, unless sooner revoked as in this ordinance provided, and shall not constitute property, nor shall it be subject to attachment, garnishment or execution, nor shall it be subject to being encumbered. Such license shall not descend by laws of testate or devolution, but it shall cease upon the death of the licensee, and the trustee of any insolvent or bankrupt licensee, when such estate consists in part of alcoholic liquor, may continue the business of the sale or manufacture of alcoholic liquor under order of the appropriate Court, and may exercise the privilege of the deceased or insolvent or bankrupt licenses after the death of such decedent, or such insolvency or bankruptcy until the expiration of such license, but not longer than six months after the death, bankruptcy or insolvency of such licensee. A refund shall be made of that portion of the license fees paid for any period in which the licensee shall be prevented from operating under such license in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph. Upon proper application for renewal and subject to the approval of the County Clerk and the Chairman of the County Board to assist him in the exercise of the powers and the performance of the duties provided for said Chairman as hereinafter provided; any licensee may renew his license at the expiration thereof, provided he is then qualified to receive a license and the premises for which such renewal license is sought are suitable for such purpose; and provided further that the renewal privilege herein provided for shall not in any case be construed as a vested right.
12. **CHANGE OF LOCATION.** A retail liquor dealer's license shall permit the sale of alcoholic liquor only in the premises described in the application and license. Such location may be changed only upon the written permit to make such change issued by the County Clerk and the Chairman of the Board, or his duly appointed assistant. No change of location shall be permitted unless the proposed new location is a proper one for the retail sale of alcohol liquor under the laws of this State and the Ordinance of the County Board.
13. **PEDDLING.** It shall be unlawful to peddle alcohol liquor in the County.
14. **SANITARY CONDITIONS.** All premises used for the retail sale of alcohol liquor or for the storage of such liquor for such sale shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition, and shall be kept in full compliance with the ordinance regulating the condition of premises used for the storage or sale of food for human consumption.

15. **EMPLOYEES.** It shall be unlawful to employ in and about the sale, dispensing and serving of alcoholic beverages, any minor person under the age of 18 or any person afflicted with, or who is a carrier of, any contagious or infectious disease; and it shall be unlawful for any person who is afflicted with or a carrier of any such disease to work in or about the sale, distribution or serving of alcoholic beverages or to in any way engage in the handling, preparation or distribution of such liquor. Nothing herein shall prevent the employment of a minor as a waitress or bus boy in and about the serving of food, provided the same is not related to alcoholic beverages.
16. **LOCATION RESTRICTIONS.** No license shall be issued for the sale at retail of any alcoholic liquor within 300 feet of any church, school, hospital, home for the aged or indigent persons or for veterans, their wives or children of any military or naval station; provided that this prohibition shall not apply to hotels offering restaurant service or to restaurants, food shop or other places where sale of alcoholic liquors is not the principal business carried on, if such place of business so exempted shall have been established for such purposes prior to the taking effect of this ordinance.
17. **CLOSING HOURS.** It shall be unlawful to sell or offer for sale at retail any alcoholic liquor in the County between the hours of 12:00 o'clock at night and 6:00 o'clock in the morning of any week day or until 12:00 o'clock noon on Sunday, except that establishments for the retail sale of alcoholic liquor duly licensed pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance shall be permitted to remain open until 2:00 a.m., of the following morning on Friday and Saturday nights and on all nights preceding holidays; and daylight savings time shall govern the hours of all licensed establishments, when in effect throughout the State of Illinois. It shall be unlawful to keep open for business or to admit any person except the proprietor and regular employees thereof, to any premises in or which alcoholic liquor is sold at retail during the hours within which the sale of such liquor is prohibited; provided, that in the case of restaurant, hotels, clubs and bowling alleys, such establishments may be kept open during such hours, but no alcoholic liquor may be sold to or consumed by any person during such hours. Private parties are not permitted after closing hours.

"All persons other than the licensee, its agents or employees are to be off the premises by 12:00 a.m., of any weekday by 2:30 a.m., of the following morning on Friday and Saturday nights and on all nights preceding holidays.

18. It shall be unlawful for any holder of retail license to have, possess, keep or permit in his place of business, any gambling device except as pursuant to state laws and regulations. The County of Christian, a non-home rule unit of government, may impose an annual, per-terminal fee for the operation of a video gaming terminal not to exceed \$25 per year pursuant to state statute (230 ILCS 40/65(a)). Additionally, the County of Christian shall impose, and the Christian County Board shall collect, a tax of 30% on net terminal income. Said collected tax shall be distributed as follows: five-sixths (5/6) shall be deposited into the Capital Projects Fund and one-sixth (1/6) shall be deposited into the Local Government Video Gaming Distributive Fund, pursuant to state statute (230 ILCS 40/65(b)).

19. Every act or omission of whatsoever nature constituting a violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance by any licensee or other agent or employee of any licensee, shall be deemed and held to be the act of such employer or licensee, and said employer or licensee shall be punishable in the same manner as if said act or omission had been done or omitted by him personally.
20. No licensee shall sell, give or deliver alcoholic liquor to any minor, or to any intoxicated person or to any person known by him to be habitual drunkard, spendthrift or insane, feeble minded or distracted person.
21. No person shall sell or furnish alcoholic liquor at retail to any person on credit or on a passbook, or order on a store or in exchange for any goods, wares or merchandise, or in payment for any service rendered; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any hotel from permitting checks or statements for liquor to be signed by regular guests residing at said hotel and charged to the account of said guests, or on national credit cards.
22. It shall be a specific provision of every license to be issued hereunder, that the local Liquor Control Commissioner and any person designated by him as his assistant, shall at any time or times have, and the County hereby reserves for itself the right, and any person accepting a license under the provisions of this Ordinance, hereby specifically agrees that they shall have the right at any and all times, without warrants of any character to enter upon and search any premises licensed hereunder, in order that they may determine whether the provisions of this ordinance have been or are being violated, and such proper officer shall have the right at any time to examine the premises of the licensee.
23. No alcoholic liquor shall be sold at retail in any building which has any access leading from such building to any other portion of the same building or any other building or structure used for dwelling or lodging purposes, and which is permitted to be used or kept accessible for use by the public. This provision shall not prevent any connection between such premises and such other portion of the building or structure which, is used only by the licensee, his family and personal guests.
24. **VIEW FROM STREET.** In premises upon which the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption upon the premises is licensed, other than as a restaurant or hotel, club or bowling alley, no screen blind, curtain, partition, article or thing shall be permitted to the windows or upon the doors of such licensed premises nor inside such premises, which shall prevent a clear view into the interior of such licensed premises from the street, road or sidewalk at all times, and no booth, screen, partition or other obstruction nor any arrangement of lights or lighting shall be permitted in or about the interior of such premises from the street, road or sidewalk, and said premises must be so located that there shall be a full view of the interior of such premises from the street, road or sidewalk. All rooms where liquor is sold for consumption upon the premises shall be continuously lighted during business hours by natural light or artificial white light so that all parts of the interior of the premises shall be clearly visible. In case the view into any such licensed premises required by the foregoing

provisions, shall be willfully obscured by the licensee or by him willfully suffered to be obscured or in any manner obstructed, then such license shall be subject to revocation in the manner herein provided.

25. In order to enforce the provisions of this Section, the Chairman of the County Board or the person or persons duly appointed to assist him shall have the right to require the filing with him of plans, drawing and photographs showing the clearance of the view as above required.
26. The local liquor control commissioner may revoke or suspend any license issued by him if he determines that the licensee has violated any of the provisions of this Act or of any valid ordinance or resolution enacted by the particular city council, president or board of trustees or county board (as the case may be) or any applicable rules or regulations established by the local liquor control commissioner or the State commission which is not inconsistent with the law. In lieu of suspension or revocation, the local liquor control commission in any county or municipality may instead levy a fine on the licensee for such violations. The fine imposed shall not exceed \$1,000.00 for each violation; each day on which a violation continues shall constitute a separate violation. Not more than \$10,000.00 in fines under this Section may be imposed against any licensee during the period of his license.

Proceeds from such fines shall be paid into the general corporate fund of the county or municipal treasury, as the case may be.

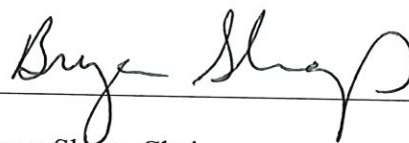
However, no such license shall be so revoked or suspended and no licensee shall be fined except after a public hearing by the local liquor control commissioner with a 3-day written notice to the licensee affording the licensee an opportunity to appear and defend. All such hearings shall be open to the public and the local liquor control commissioner shall reduce all evidenced to writing and shall maintain an official record of the proceedings. If the local liquor control commissioner has reason to believe that any continued operation of a particular licensed premises will immediately threaten the welfare of the community he may, upon the issuance of a written order stating the reason for such conclusion and without notice or hearing order the licensed premises closed for not more than 7 days, giving the licensee an opportunity to be heard during that period, except that if such licensee shall also be engaged in the conduct of another business or businesses on the licensed premises such order shall not be applicable to such other business or businesses.

The local liquor control commissioner shall within 5 days after such hearing, if he determines after such hearing that the license should be revoked or suspended or that the licensee should be fined, state the reason or reasons for such determination in an order, and either the amount of the fine, the period of suspension, or that the license has been revoked, and shall serve a copy of such order within the 5 days upon the licensee.

The licensee after the receipt of such order of suspension or revocation shall have the privilege within a period of 20 days after the receipt of such order of suspension or revocation of appealing the order to the State commission for a decision sustaining, reversing or modifying the order of the local commissioner's order to suspend or revoke the license at the

business for which the license was issued, until the local business for which the license was issued, until the local commissioner's order is terminated by its own provisions or reversed upon rehearing or by the courts.

AMENDED AND APPROVED by the County Board of Christian County, Illinois, this 16th day of July 2024.



Bryan Sharp, Chairman
Christian County Board

Attest:



Jodie Badman, County Clerk
Christian County