(1) FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, IS NOT LESS THAN 5 NOR MORE THAN 20 BUSINESS DAYS; OR

(2) FOR A SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, IS NOT LESS THAN 20 BUSINESS DAYS NOR MORE THAN 6 MONTHS.

(B) REVOCATION.

SUBJECT TO THE NOTICE REQUIREMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL REVOKE A LICENSE IF A LICENSEE:

(1) WILLFULLY AND PERSISTENTLY ENGAGES IN AN ACT OR OMISSION THAT IS A GROUND FOR DISCIPLINE UNDER § 16–210(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE; OR

(2) VIOLATES TITLE 12 OF THE TAX – GENERAL ARTICLE.

(C) NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

IF A LICENSE IS SUSPENDED OR REVOKED UNDER THIS SECTION:

(1) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL GIVE THE LICENSEE NOTICE OF THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION; AND

(2) THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION MAY NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL AT LEAST 5 BUSINESS DAYS FOLLOWING NOTICE OF THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION.

(D) CHANGE OF LICENSE STATUS — DISCIPLINARY ACTION NOT AFFECTED.

THE TRANSFER, RENEWAL, OR EXPIRATION OF A LICENSE WILL NOT BAR OR ABATE A DISCIPLINARY ACTION UNDER THIS SECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 56, § 620(a), (b), (c), and (d)(2).

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the reference to "Title 12 of the Tax – General Article" is substituted for the former reference to former Art. 56, § 618(b), now § 16–210(b) of this subtitle, for clarity. The formerly cross–referenced provision provides that a violation of Title 12 of the Tax – General Article is grounds for revocation of a license.

Former Art. 56, § 620(d)(1), which provided that a person may not "sell cigarettes or permit the sale of cigarettes on the [person's] premises" while the person's license is suspended or revoked, is deleted as implicit since the person is not licensed while the license is suspended or revoked.