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PART 3

PREMISES LICENCES

Review of premises licence

36 Application for review of premises licence

- (1) Any person may apply to the appropriate Licensing Board in respect of any licensed premises in relation to which a premises licence has effect for a review of the licence on any of the grounds for review.
- (2) An application under subsection (1) is referred to in this Act as a "premises licence review application".
- (3) The grounds for review referred to in subsection (1) are—
 - (a) that one or more of the conditions to which the premises licence is subject has been breached, or
 - (b) any other ground relevant to one or more of the licensing objectives.
- (4) A Licensing Standards Officer may make a premises licence review application on the ground specified in subsection (3)(a) only if—
 - (a) in relation to the alleged ground for review, the Officer or any other Licensing Standards Officer has issued to the licence holder a notice under section 14(2) (a)(i), and
 - (b) the licence holder has failed to take the action specified in the notice to the satisfaction of the Officer.
- (5) A premises licence review application must specify the alleged ground for review, including in particular—
 - (a) where the ground is that specified in subsection (3)(a), the condition or conditions alleged to have been breached,
 - (b) where the ground is that specified in subsection (3)(b), the licensing objective or objectives to which the alleged ground of review relates.

- (6) The Licensing Board may reject a premises licence review application if the Board considers the application—
 - (a) is vexatious or frivolous, or
 - (b) does not disclose any matter relevant to any ground for review.
- (7) Where the Licensing Board rejects a premises licence review application under subsection (6), the Board—
 - (a) must give notice of the decision, and the reasons for it, to the applicant, and
 - (b) where it is rejected on the ground that it is frivolous or vexatious, may recover from the applicant any expenses incurred by the Board in considering the application.
- (8) In any proceedings by a Licensing Board for the recovery of expenses under subsection (7)(b), a copy of any minute of proceedings of the Licensing Board—
 - (a) recording the Board's rejection of the application and the grounds for rejection, and
 - (b) certified by the clerk of the Board to be a true copy,

is sufficient evidence of the rejection and of the establishment of the grounds for rejection.