License, for Sale of Liquors. Retail Liquor Dealer, Renewal of License Of. Saloon, License for Conducting and Renewal of License.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill No. 33, any person, company or corporation regularly licensed at the time of the passage and approval of this bill to conduct a saloon may have his license renewed in the same manner as before the passage of the bill without making the application and posting notices provided for in the bill.

March 11, 1911.

Mr. H. C. Patterson, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Dillon, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 8th, has been received, requesting my opinion upon the following proposition:

"Does substitute for substitute for senate bill No. 33, passed by the twelfth legislative assembly require retail liquor dealers in incorporated towns, who have heretofore been regularly licensed, to file the petition and post the notices mentioned in said bill at every time they desire to have their licenses renewed and re-issued?"

In reply, I will say, that Section 2, of the bill above referred to provides that the act in so far as it regulates the issuance of licenses for the sale or offering for sale of spirituous, malt or fermented liquors, or wine, shall not effect any person, company, or corporation now regularly licensed, nor the party to whom such license may be transferred to sell or offer for sale any spirituous, malt or fermented liquors, or wine, or the re-issuance or transfer of a license to such persons in accordance with existing laws upon this subject.

You are therefore advised that any person, company or corporation now regularly licensed to conduct a saloon may have his license renewed in the same manner as before the passage of Senate Bill No. 33 above mentioned, or the party to whom the license is transferred may likewise have it renewed without making the application or posting the notices provided for by senate bill No. 33.

Yours very truly,

ALBERT J. GALEN, .

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