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**REQUESTED BY:** John A. Duncan, Superintendent  
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**OPINION BY:** ROBERT W. PICKRELL, The Attorney General

**QUESTION:** Assuming that the liquor department receives from the printers the new application forms before the effective date of Title 4, A.R.S., as amended, 1961, may it legally accept applications and the fees provided therefor before the effective date of the law?

**CONCLUSION:** No.

In considering the above question, we are further assuming that this question refers only to the licenses newly created by the 1961 amendment.

The right to these licenses is a substantive matter and they are not in existence until the law is in effect, and until the law is in effect the superintendent has no jurisdiction to receive applications for them.

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