

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 463 (Delegate Edwards)
Economic Matters

Garrett County - Alcoholic Beverages - (Sunday Sales Issuing Fee)

This bill requires the Garrett County Board of License Commissioners to impose a \$250 issuing fee when it issues a Sunday sales license. If the board issues such licenses before October 1, 1997, it may charge the issuing fee at the time the license is first renewed.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Garrett County revenues would increase by \$250 for each Sunday sales license issued. Expenditures would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: Minimal. If a restaurant exercises the Sunday sales option, its costs would increase by \$250 due to the issuance fee.

Fiscal Analysis

Local Revenues: Currently, the Sunday sales option is only available in two election districts in Garrett County. To date, only one restaurant has exercised this option. Garrett County expects that only one new Sunday sales license will be issued in the future, probably in fiscal 1999. As a result, revenues would increase by \$250 in fiscal 1999 due to the issuance fee. The Board of License Commissioners does not plan on charging an issuance fee to the existing restaurant.

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