# Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly 2013 Session

### FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 343 Economic Matters (Harford County Delegation)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages - Hours of Sale for Class B Licensees

This bill expands the hours for sale of beer and wine under a Class B Cafe license in Harford County by enabling a Class B Cafe licensee to sell alcoholic beverages between 8 a.m. and 2 a.m. the following day instead of between 10 a.m. and 11 p.m., Monday through Sunday, inclusive.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2013.

#### **Fiscal Summary**

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. Harford County can monitor licenses with existing resources.

**Small Business Effect:** Potential minimal increase in revenue from the sale of beer and wine due to the expansion in hours for sale for holders of Class B Cafe licenses in Harford County.

#### Analysis

**Current Law:** The sale of beer and wine at Class B Cafe licensed locations in Harford County begins at 10 a.m. and extends through 11 p.m., Monday through Sunday, inclusive.

**Background:** The Harford County Liquor Control Board can issue a maximum of 5 Class B Cafe licenses.

## **Additional Information**

Prior Introductions: None.

**Cross File:** SB 128 (Senator Glassman, *et al.*) - Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Information Source(s): Harford County, Department of Legislative Services

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