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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

House Bill 93  
Economic Matters

(Montgomery County Delegation)  
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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**Montgomery County - Alcoholic Beverages - 1-Day License for Schools, Places of  
Worship, and Youth Centers  
MC 10-15**

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This bill specifies that alcoholic beverages license restrictions related to distance from schools, places of worship, and youth centers in Montgomery County do not apply to one-day special licenses for use on the premises of (1) elementary or secondary schools; (2) places of worship; or (3) youth centers sponsored or conducted by a governmental agency.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** None. The bill codifies current practice.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** Generally, the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners may not issue any license to sell alcoholic beverages within 750 feet of any (1) secondary or elementary school; (2) church or other place of worship; or (3) youth center sponsored or conducted by any governmental agency. However, by majority vote, the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners may issue a license for use at a location more than 300 feet from an elementary or secondary school, church or other place of worship, or youth center sponsored or conducted by a governmental agency under specified conditions.

The limitation regarding distance does not apply to, affect, or prohibit the renewal, transfer, or reissuance of an alcoholic beverages license that was issued before a school, church or other place of worship, or youth center was erected within 750 feet of the licensed premises. The restriction also does not apply to a special culinary school license that may be issued for use on the premises of a private culinary educational institution.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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