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House Bill 753

(Harford County Delegation)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages - Notice of Public Hearings on Regulations

This bill authorizes the Harford County Board of License Commissioners to advertise hearings on proposed changes to alcoholic beverages regulations in at least one newspaper of general circulation published in the county and on the board's website. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2018.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The bill is not anticipated to materially impact Harford County finances or

operations.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Generally, the board may adopt regulations, but must hold public hearings on all proposed changes. The hearings must be advertised at least two consecutive weeks in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the county.

Background: In fiscal 2017, 202 alcoholic beverages licenses were issued for use in Harford County.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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

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