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House Bill 897
Economic Matters

(Harford County Delegation)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages - License Fees

This bill repeals additional fees for specified Class B licenses with off-sale liquor privileges in Harford County. **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. Any impact on revenues is anticipated to be minimal.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: The annual license fee for a Class BNR (newly opened restaurant) beer, wine, and liquor license is \$3,000. Additional fees for Class B licenses with off-sale liquor privileges are \$350 for a six-day license and \$450 for a seven-day license.

Background: In fiscal 2017, 202 alcoholic beverages licenses were issued for use in Harford County. Harford County advises that annual license fee revenues total \$400,200.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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