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House Bill 256

(Delegate Rosenberg, *et al.*)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Hours of Sale

This bill alters the hours of sale for a Class B-D-7 beer, wine, and liquor license holder located in Baltimore City along the south side of Frederick Avenue, between South Augusta Avenue and South Loudon Avenue. The hours of sale for a license holder in this area are from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2021.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Baltimore City can handle any additional enforcement with existing resources. Revenues are not affected.

Small Business Effect: Minimal overall but potential meaningful for a license holder whose hours of sale are restricted under the bill.

Analysis

Current Law: The Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class B-D-7 license if it determines, upon consideration of the number of beer, wine, and liquor outlets in the affected area and the outlets' days of sale, that the license is reasonably necessary for public convenience. A Class B-D-7 license authorizes the licensee to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on- and off-premises consumption. With specified exceptions, a Class B-D-7 licensee may generally sell beer, wine, and liquor from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following day. The annual license fee is \$1,320.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

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