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Senate Bill 742

(Anne Arundel County Senators)

Finance

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Anne Arundel County - Alcoholic Beverages - Fees for Class C Per Diem
Licenses

This bill, in Anne Arundel County, increases the fees for specified Class C *per diem* alcoholic beverages licenses when issued for one day events with more than 1,000 attendees. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2024.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Anne Arundel County license fee revenues increase by approximately \$13,800 beginning in FY 2025. Anne Arundel county expenditures are not affected.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Bill Summary/Current Law: In Anne Arundel County, a Class C *per diem* beer, Class C *per diem* beer and wine, or Class C *per diem* beer, wine, and liquor license (BWL) entitles the license holder to exercise any of the privileges conferred by the respective class of license (1) for the use of a person holding an entertainment event that is conducted by a club; (2) at the place described in the license; and (3) for a period not exceeding seven consecutive days.

Class C Per Diem Licenses – Fees

Under current law, the fee for a Class C *per diem* beer license and a Class C *per diem* beer and wine license is \$25 per day. The bill establishes that for a one-day event with more than 1,000 attendees, the fee for a Class C *per diem* beer license and a Class C *per diem* beer and wine license is \$500.

Under current law, the fee for a Class C *per diem* BWL is \$50 per day. The bill establishes that for a one-day event with more than 1,000 attendees, the fee for a Class C *per diem* BWL is \$1,000.

Local Fiscal Effect: Anne Arundel County estimates county revenues increase by \$13,755, beginning fiscal 2025, due to increase *per diem* license fees under the bill.

Additional Information

Recent Prior Introductions: Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

Designated Cross File: None.

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

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