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Senate Bill 1184
Finance

(Senator Rosapepe)

Appropriations

Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages - College Athletic Event Venue
Concessionaire Beer, Wine, and Liquor License

This bill authorizes the Prince George’s County Board of License Commissioners to issue a Class B-CAEVC (college athletic event venue concessionaire) beer, wine, and liquor (BWL) license for use by a concessionaire contracted to provide food and beverages services in designated areas of venues that are located on the University of Maryland, College Park Campus (UMCP) or the Bowie State University Campus, as specified. The annual license fee is \$3,500. **This bill takes effect July 1, 2024.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill will not materially affect UMCP or Bowie State University finances or operations.

Local Effect: Prince George’s County license fee revenues increase by approximately \$10,500 beginning in FY 2025 from the issuance of three Class B-CAEVC BWL licenses. Prince George’s County can handle any additional enforcement activity using existing budgeted resources.

Small Business Effect: Minimal overall, but potential meaningful for a concessionaire that is able to sell beer, wine, and liquor under the bill.

Analysis

Bill Summary: A “concessionaire” means a lessee, sublessee, or any other operator of an establishment that is contracted by the holder of a Class B-ECF/DS (educational conference facility/dining service) BWL license to provide food and beverages services in

designated areas of venues that are (1) located on UMCP and (2) used primarily to host college athletic events.

The Class B-CAEVC BWL license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor by the glass or by the bottle for on-premises consumption (1) in the area of the venue primarily used to host college athletic events, including courtside seating and suites at the venue and (2) in any other area of the venue controlled by the holder of a Class B-ECF/DS BWL license. The license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day on Monday through Saturday, and from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day on Sundays.

The license holder may restrict access to the licensed premises. The license may not be counted as a Class B license for purposes of the limits on licenses issued by the board under statute.

Beer, wine, and liquor purchased from an outlet controlled by the holder of a Class B-ECF/DS license may be consumed at the premises controlled by the holder of a Class B-CAEVC license. A separate Class B-CAEVC BWL license is required for each venue in which the concessionaire operates.

Current Law: Generally, the board may not issue more than 215 Class B-BWL licenses in the county.

The board may issue a Class B-ECF/DS license to an individual who is authorized by UMCP or the Prince George's Community College Main Campus, as specified. The license holder is subject to the penalties, conditions, and restrictions under statute and must be a resident and registered voter of the county.

Local Revenues: The annual license fee for a Class B-CAEVC BWL license is \$3,500. Prince George's County estimates issuing three Class B-CAEVC licenses in fiscal 2025; therefore, Prince George's County license fee revenues increase by \$10,500 annually beginning in fiscal 2025.

Additional Information

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

Designated Cross File: None.

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