Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE Revised

Senate Bill 43 (Senator Middleton) Economic and Environmental Affairs

Referred to Economic Matters

Charles County - Alcoholic Beverages (Beer and Wine Festival)

This amended bill authorizes the Charles County Board of License Commissioners to issue a special festival (CBWF) license to be used at the Charles County Beer and Wine Festival. An applicant must be a holder of an existing State retail alcoholic beverages license, a Class 3 winery license, or a Class 4 winery license. A license holder may only sell wine that is manufactured and processed in any state and beer that is brewed by a brewer that brews less than 60,000 barrels annually. The license entitles the holder to sell beer and wine at retail for consumption on or off premises during the festival. In addition, a license holder may sell wine at retail for off-premise consumption. The license fee is set by the board.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Charles County revenues would increase by an indeterminate amount depending upon the license fee and the number of licenses. Although the fee revenues cannot be determined beforehand, the amount would be minimal.

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