

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 989 (Montgomery County Delegation)
Economic Matters

Montgomery County - Alcoholic Beverages
(Multiple Licenses)
MC 628-96

This bill alters the provisions for obtaining multiple Class B (on-sale) hotel and restaurant beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Montgomery County. A holder of a Class B hotel and restaurant license may obtain a public hotel license or a restaurant license in addition to the standard Class B license. In addition, a restaurant may be issued up to two additional restaurant licenses if they are located within a certain area. The maximum number of licenses available to a restaurant is four, which is comprised of the standard license and three additional restaurant licenses.

The bill also deletes the three-year minimum waiting period for obtaining an additional Class B hotel and restaurant license.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Montgomery County revenues could increase by \$2,500 for each additional Class B hotel and restaurant license issued. The total revenue increase is assumed to be minimal. The Board of License Commissioners could issue additional licenses and monitor licensees with existing resources.

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