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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 362 (Allegany County Delegation)

Economic Matters

Allegany County - Alcoholic Beverages - Special Festival License

This bill authorizes the Allegany County Board of License Commissioners to issue a special festival license. An applicant must be a holder of an existing State retail alcoholic beverage license, a Class 3 winery license, or a Class 4 winery license. A license holder may only sell wine from any state and beer from a brewer that brews less than 60,000 barrels annually. Wine purchased for sale or display must be price filed with the Comptroller's Office and be distributed in the State market at the time the application for a special license is filed. Only beer which is distributed in the State may be sold or displayed at a festival. The license entitles the holder to sell beer and wine at retail for consumption on or off premises during the festival. The license fee is set by the board. All beer or wine displayed or sold by a festival licensee must be invoiced and delivered from the premises of a licensed State wholesaler, winery, or limited winery.

The bill is effective June 1, 1999.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Allegany County revenues would increase by an indeterminate amount depending upon the license fee and the number of licenses issued. Any revenue increase is assumed to be minimal.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

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