# **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 1999 Session

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 105 (Delegate Arnick)

Economic Matters

# Baltimore County - Alcoholic Beverages - Board of License Commissioners - Appeals

This bill allows an aggrieved party to appeal a decision of the Board of License Commissioners of Baltimore County to the circuit court without first paying the costs associated with a hearing. An aggrieved party includes a licensee; a license applicant; a group of 10 or more residents or real estate owners in the election district in which the licensed or proposed licensed premise is located; or a business owner in the election district in which the licensed or proposed licensed premises is located.

Under current law an aggrieved party may only appeal a decision of the board to the circuit court upon payment of all costs relating to a hearing. In addition, a single business owner may not appeal a decision to the circuit court unless the business owner is the licensee or license applicant.

### **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill's provisions would not materially affect circuit court operations or finances.

**Local Effect:** None. Although the number of appeals could increase as a result of the bill, it is not expected to affect Baltimore County finances.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal.

**Information Source(s):** Baltimore County, Judiciary (Administrative Office of the

## Courts), Department of Legislative Services

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