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FISCAL NOTE  
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House Bill 261 (Delegate Walkup, *et al.*)

Economic Matters

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**Kent County - Alcoholic Beverages - Alcohol Awareness Program Certification**

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This bill provides that, in Kent County, either the alcoholic beverages licensee or a supervisor employed by the licensee must be: (1) certified by an approved alcohol awareness program; and (2) present at the licensed premises during the hours that alcoholic beverages are sold.

The bill is effective July 1, 2001.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Any additional monitoring of licensees could be supported with the existing resources of the Board of License Commissioners of Kent County.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** The holder of any class of retail alcoholic beverages license or an employee designated by the licensee must complete training in an approved alcohol awareness program every four years. Only in Harford, Howard, and Montgomery counties is the licensee or a supervisor authorized by the licensee required to be certified and present at the licensed establishment at all times when alcohol is served.

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## Additional Information

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** This bill combined with HB 142, HB 262, and HB 664, are encompassed in SB 280 (Senator Baker) - Economic and Environmental Affairs.

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