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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 158 (Delegate Mitchell)

Economic Matters

Economic and Environmental Affairs

Charles County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B Licenses

This bill exempts Class B (on-sale) beer, wine, and liquor licenses issued for premises in municipal corporations in Charles County from the prohibition against the sale of alcoholic beverages within 500 feet of the property line of any church, place of worship, or school accredited by the State Board of Education.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Charles County revenues would increase by \$235 for each license application and \$300 for each license issued or renewed. Expenditures would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: Potential minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: In Charles County, all liquor licensees are prohibited from selling alcoholic beverages within 500 feet of the property line of any church, place of worship, or school accredited by the State Board of Education.

Local Fiscal Effect: The application fee for a Class B (on-sale) beer, wine, and liquor license is \$235 and the license fee is \$300. The number of licenses to be issued in Charles County is unknown. However, assuming two licenses are issued, Charles County revenues could increase by \$1,070 in fiscal 2002. Assuming the two licenses are

renewed in fiscal 2003, Charles County revenues would increase by \$600. Charles County has three municipalities: Indian Head, La Plata, and Port Tobacco.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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