Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE Revised

House Bill 569

(Delegates Owings and O'Donnell)

Judiciary

Judicial Proceedings

Calvert County - Bingo - Nonprofit Organizations

This bill authorizes a volunteer fire department or a fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious, or charitable organization or corporation in Calvert County to conduct a charitable bingo event without first obtaining a permit. The bill also authorizes the County Commissioners of Calvert County to adopt regulations that: (1) limit the hours of operation for a charitable bingo event; (2) establish the days on which an organization or corporation may hold such an event; or (3) limit the number of events that an organization or corporation may hold per calendar year.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Calvert County finances would not be affected because these organizations can already obtain a bingo permit at no cost.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: In Calvert County, a volunteer fire company, fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious or charitable organization or corporation may conduct or hold any carnival, bazaar, or gaming event upon the county commissioners granting a permit specifying the nature of the gaming device and the frequency with which the carnival, bazaar, or gaming event can be held.

Additional Information

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Cross File: None.

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