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**FISCAL NOTE**  
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Senate Bill 229 (Senator Mitchell, *et al.*)

Economic and Environmental Affairs

Economic Matters

**Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - Commission to Study the Impact of  
Extended Hours for Licensed Establishments on Tourism in Baltimore City**

This bill establishes a 28-member Commission to Study the Impact of Extended Hours for Licensed Establishments on Tourism in Baltimore City. The commission will study the impact that authorizing licensed alcoholic beverages establishments to remain open during early morning hours would have on tourism and the overall economy in the city. The commission must issue a final report of its findings with legislative recommendations to the Baltimore City Senate Delegation and the Mayor of Baltimore City on or before December 1, 2001. The bill also provides that: (1) the chairman of the Baltimore City Senate Delegation shall serve as chairman of the commission; (2) the members of the commission serve without compensation; and (3) the commission will be staffed by the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED).

The bill is effective June 1, 2001 and sunsets December 1, 2001.

**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** General fund expenditures would increase by \$20,000 in FY 2002 for DBED to contract for economic analysis expertise for the commission.

(in dollars)	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GF Expenditure	20,000	0	0	0	0
Net Effect	(\$20,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

*Note:() = decrease; GF = general funds; FF = federal funds; SF = special funds; - = indeterminate effect*

**Local Effect:** None. Baltimore City revenues and expenditures would not be directly affected by the bill's provisions. Baltimore City employees designated to be members of the commission could participate with existing resources.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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## **Analysis**

**State Fiscal Effect:** State general fund expenditures would increase by \$20,000 in fiscal 2002 for DBED to contract for economic analysis services to support the commission and its activities due to the commission's December 1, 2001 reporting deadline. DBED advises that existing DBED staff commitments require contracting out for economic analysis expertise.

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## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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