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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1102 Ways and Means (Delegates McMillan and Simmons)

Alcoholic Beverages - Video Lottery and Casino-Style Gaming Establishments

This bill requires the alcoholic beverages licensing authority for a county in which a premises licensed to conduct casino style gaming is located to establish a list of minimum prices below which a licensed premises may not sell alcoholic beverages. A licensee who sells an alcoholic beverage to a patron below the applicable minimum price is subject to suspension or revocation of the license.

The bill does not apply to alcoholic beverages sold at a gaming event conducted by a qualified nonprofit or fraternal organization that is authorized to hold gaming events.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect State operations or finances.

Local Effect: Potential minimal increase in local government expenditures for enforcement.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: The Comptroller issues retail alcoholic beverage licenses for airplanes, trains, and water vessels.

Local liquor boards license retail alcoholic beverage licenses.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Allegany County, Howard County, Prince George's County,

Baltimore City, Comptroller's Office, Department of Legislative Services

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