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House Bill 455

(Prince George's County Delegation)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental
Affairs

**Prince George's County - Board of License Commissioners - Alcoholic Beverages
Inspectors
PG 300-03**

This bill increases, from two to three, the number of full-time alcoholic beverages inspectors in Prince George's County. The bill also provides that the additional full-time inspector is a deputy chief inspector.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Prince George's County expenditures would increase by \$42,750 in FY 2004 and by approximately \$57,000 each year thereafter. Revenues would not be affected. **This bill imposes a mandate on a unit of local government.**

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: There are two full-time alcoholic beverages inspectors and 29 part-time inspectors in Prince George's County. The two full-time inspectors are deputy chief inspectors. The number and responsibilities of full-time and part-time alcoholic beverages inspectors varies by county.

Background: Prince George's County advises that full-time alcoholic beverages inspectors are managerial employees and that part-time inspectors perform all enforcement activities. Prince George's County also advises that all alcoholic beverages inspectors use their own vehicles to carry out their duties and are reimbursed for mileage.

Local Fiscal Effect: Prince George's County expenditures would increase by \$42,750 in fiscal 2004 for additional salary (\$33,750) and benefits (\$9,000). This reflects salary adjustments for a nine-month period (October 2003 – June 2004). Beginning in fiscal 2005, county expenditures could increase by \$57,000, which reflects annualization. Any increase in reimbursable mileage incurred by the new full-time inspector is assumed to be minimal and absorbable with existing resources.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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