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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 456

(Prince George's County Delegation)

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Affairs

Prince George's County - Class B-ECF/DS Beer, Wine and Liquor License Annual Fee PG 301-03

This bill increases from \$4,400 to \$6,750 the annual fee for a Class B – Education Conference Facility/Dining Service (Class B-ECF/DS) license in Prince George's County.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Prince George's County revenues would increase by \$2,350 for each Class B-ECF/DS license issued. County expenditures would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: Minimal. A small business that purchases a Class B-ECF/DS license to provide alcoholic beverages services in conference facilities or dining service facilities on the University of Maryland College Park campus would expend an additional \$2,350 for the license.

Analysis

Current Law: The annual license fee for a Class B – Education Conference Facility/Dining Service (Class B-ECF/DS) license is \$4,400.

Background: In Prince George's County, a Class B-ECF/DS license may be issued to an individual who is a resident and registered voter of Prince George's County, and is authorized by the University of Maryland at College Park to act on its behalf. The license covers all 67 education conference facilities and dining service areas on the College Park campus. No other jurisdiction offers an education conference facility/dining service license specifically for an institution of higher learning or an individual authorized by an institution of higher learning. The annual fee for a Class B-ECF/DS license was last changed in 2000 when the fee was increased from \$4,000 to \$4,400 (Chapter 446 of 2000). Prince George's County issued two Class B-ECF/DS licenses in fiscal 2002.

Local Fiscal Effect: Prince George's County revenues would increase by \$2,350 for each Class B-ECF/DS license issued. Assuming two Class B-ECF/DS licenses are issued in fiscal 2004, Prince George's County revenues would increase by \$4,700.

Additional Information

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Cross File: None.

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