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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**  
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House Bill 459

(Prince George's County Delegation)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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**Prince George's County - Special Class C Beer, Wine and Liquor License - Fees**  
**PG 304-03**

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This bill increases, from \$50 to \$150, the daily license fee in Prince George's County for a special Class C beer, wine, and liquor license.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Prince George's County revenues would increase by \$100 for each day that a special Class C beer, wine, and liquor license is issued. County expenditures would not be affected.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** The daily fee for a special Class C beer, wine, and liquor license is \$50. A special Class C beer, wine, and liquor license authorizes the licensee to exercise any of the privileges conferred by the respective class of licenses for the use of any person holding any bona fide entertainment conducted by any club, society, or association at the place described in the license for a period not exceeding seven consecutive days from the effective date thereof.

There is no uniformity among the local jurisdictions as to the fees and regulations for special Class C beer, wine, and liquor licenses. Most jurisdictions are authorized to issue

a special or temporary Class C beer, wine, and liquor license to clubs, organizations, societies, or associations for a period of one to seven days with most daily fees ranging from between \$15 to \$25.

**Background:** The last time the fee for a special Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in Prince George's County was increased was in fiscal 1993 when the daily fee was increased from \$30 to \$50 (Chapter 391 of 1992). Prince George's County advises that there were 74 special Class C beer, wine, and liquor licenses issued in calendar 2001.

**Local Fiscal Effect:** Prince George's County revenues could increase by approximately \$11,400 in fiscal 2004 assuming 57 two-day special Class C beer, wine, and liquor licenses are issued after the bill's effective date of October 1, 2003. Annualized revenue increases of approximately \$14,800 would be realized beginning in fiscal 2005 assuming 74 two-day special Class C beer, wine, and liquor licenses are issued. There is no application fee for the license.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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