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House Bill 1131
Economic Matters

(Prince George's County Delegation)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Food Sales
Requirement for Restaurants
PG 303-05

This bill requires that, in Prince George's County, a holder of an alcoholic beverages restaurant license must first present evidence to the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners that at least 30% of the restaurant's total daily receipts were from the sale of food for at least six months before the application for off-sale privilege is submitted.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2005.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: This bill would not affect Prince George's County finances.

Small Business Effect: Overall minimal, but potential meaningful for a restaurant seeking to obtain off-sale privilege, if less than 30% of total sales come from the sale of food.

Analysis

Current Law: A restaurant in Prince George's County is not currently required to submit evidence to the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners that at least 30% of the restaurant's total daily receipts were from the sale of food for at least six months before an application for off-sale privilege is submitted.

Local Fiscal Effect: Prince George's County advises that requiring a restaurant to present evidence to the board of license commissioners that at least 30% of the restaurant's total daily receipts were from the sale of food for at least six months before the off-sale privilege application is submitted would not affect Prince George's County finances.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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