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Senate Bill 78

(Senator Della)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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**Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - Class C License in Highlandtown Arts
and Entertainment District**

This bill authorizes the Baltimore City Board of Liquor License Commissioners to issue one Class C beer, wine, and liquor license for use by an arts club provided that it has been incorporated for less than five years and is located on Highland Avenue in the Highlandtown Arts and Entertainment District.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2006 and terminates December 31, 2006.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Baltimore City license revenues would increase by \$950 in FY 2007 due to a \$550 annual license fee and a one-time \$400 application fee. Out-year revenues would only reflect the \$550 annual license fee. Expenditures should not be affected.

Small Business Effect: Overall minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: The annual license fee in Baltimore City for a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license is \$550.

Background: Baltimore City advises that the Highlandtown Arts and Entertainment District is located within the 46th Alcoholic Beverages District. New alcoholic beverages licenses may not be issued in the 46th Alcoholic Beverages District.

Local Fiscal Effect: If an additional Class C beer, wine and liquor license is issued as a result of the bill, Baltimore City license fee revenues would increase by \$950 in fiscal 2007, which includes a \$550 license fee and a \$400 one-time application fee. Out-year revenue would only reflect the annual license fee of \$550. Monitoring of the additional license can be handled with existing resources.

Additional Information

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