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Senate Bill 814

(Senator Colburn)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Economic Matters

Wicomico County - Liquor Control Board - Salaries

This bill increases the annual salaries of the Wicomico County Liquor Control Board from \$2,750 to \$5,000. The salary for the board chairman increases from \$3,500 to \$6,000.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2007.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Wicomico County personnel expenditures would increase by \$7,000 annually beginning in FY 2008. Revenues would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Salary adjustments for board members take effect at the beginning of the next term of office, which is July 2007 for the Wicomico County Liquor Control Board. The board consists of two members and a chairman. Board members are appointed to serve two-year terms by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Chairman of the Wicomico County Liquor Control Board receives an annual compensation of \$3,500. The other two board members receive an annual compensation of \$2,750.

Background: Compensation for alcoholic license commissioners varies by jurisdiction. The majority of jurisdictions compensate commissioners with an annual salary, while some smaller jurisdictions compensate commissioners on a per meeting basis. The proposed legislation would authorize an increase in compensation for the Wicomico County Liquor Control Board for the first time since 2000.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

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