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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 173

(Delegate Elmore)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Somerset County - Alcoholic Beverages - Death of Licensee

This bill adds Somerset County to the list of jurisdictions in which the alcoholic beverages license issuing entity is authorized, following a licensee's death, to issue new or renewal licenses to the surviving spouse, business partner, or senior officer of the licensee's corporation, without the necessity of further proceedings for the balance of the current license year.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2008.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. The bill would not affect Somerset County finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: In seven jurisdictions, upon the death of a licensee, the surviving spouse, business partner, or senior officer of the licensee's corporation, may apply to the Comptroller or local licensing board for a new license without the necessity of further proceedings for the balance of the current license year. The jurisdictions include Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Caroline, Charles, Dorchester, and Prince George's counties.

In each of the aforementioned jurisdictions, the surviving individual granted a license may also be issued a renewal license.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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