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House Bill 1541
Economic Matters

(Frederick County Delegation)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Sunday Sales Hours

This bill alters the hour at which authorized sales on Sundays may commence for Class A (off-sale) license holders in Frederick County. Under the bill, a Class A (off-sale) license holder with a special Sunday opening permit may commence sales at 11 a.m. on Sundays.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2009.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The change will not directly affect Frederick County finances.

Small Business Effect: Potential minimal increase in revenues for Class A (off-sale) license holders with special Sunday opening permits in Frederick County.

Analysis

Current Law: In Frederick County, Class A (off-sale) license holders with a special Sunday opening permit may conduct sales on Sundays from 12:00 p.m. (noon) to 12:00 a.m. (midnight).

Background: Frederick County advises that this bill will make Sunday sales hours in the county more comparable to hours of operations in jurisdictions adjacent to Frederick County and will especially benefit businesses located on those borders.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: SB 1034 (Senator Brinkley) - Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

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