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Maryland General Assembly  
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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

House Bill 1272  
Economic Matters

(St. Mary's County Delegation)

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**St. Mary's County - Alcoholic Beverages - Off-Sale License Quota**

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This bill requires the St. Mary's County Board of License Commissioners to issue no more than one alcoholic beverages license with an off-sale privilege, regardless of license class, for each unit of 4,000 people in each election district in the county. The license quota must be maintained using the population figures of the most recent federal census.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2009 and applies only prospectively.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Potential minimal decrease in revenues for St. Mary's County. Expenditures are not affected.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Background:** There are currently 163 licensees with an off-sale privilege in St. Mary's County. According to the 2000 Census, the population of St. Mary's County is 86,211.

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**Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

**Information Source(s):** St. Mary's County, U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Legislative Services

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