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Economic Matters

(Prince George's County Delegation)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Application
Requirements
PG 315-09**

This bill requires that in Prince George's County an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license, who is not a U.S. citizen, must include a statement in the application that the applicant is in legal status in accordance with federal law. In addition, if the applicant is in legal status in accordance with federal law, the application for the license must contain proof of the applicant's legal status.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2009.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. The bill will not materially impact Prince George's County operations or finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Applications for new alcoholic beverages licenses are made to the board of license commissioners and sworn to by the applicant. Generally, every applicant must provide specified information, including: (1) the class of license desired; (2) the name and residence of the applicant and how long the applicant has resided at that address; (3) a statement that the applicant is a citizen of the United States; (4) a statement that the

applicant meets specified residency requirements; and (5) the place of birth of the applicant, and if a naturalized citizen, when and where the applicant was naturalized. In Baltimore and Howard counties, applicants for alcoholic beverages licenses are not required to include citizenship information on their applications.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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