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House Bill 835

(Montgomery County Delegation)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**Montgomery County - Kensington - Expansion of Area for Alcoholic Beverages
Licenses
MC 934-09**

This bill adds an additional commercial location in the Town of Kensington in which the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners may issue a special B-K beer and wine license or a special B-K beer, wine and liquor license. The new location encompasses Kensington Parkway and Frederick Avenue, from Montgomery Avenue to Silver Creek. A licensee in this location may not serve alcoholic beverages after 11 p.m.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2009.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Montgomery County revenues increase by \$3,100 in FY 2009 and by \$2,600 beginning in FY 2010. County expenditures are not affected.

Small Business Effect: Potential meaningful for a restaurant that is able to obtain a special B-K alcoholic beverages license in the specified area.

Analysis

Current Law: With some exceptions, the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners may not issue an alcoholic beverages license in the Town of Kensington. There are 11 areas specified where the board of license commissioners may issue a special B-K license for use at a restaurant in the Town of Kensington. A special B-K license allows for on-premises consumption only.

Local Fiscal Effect: Montgomery County indicates that the bill will result in one application for a special B-K license. Each license application will result in a one-time application fee of \$563. Each approved license will provide annual revenues of \$2,500. Accordingly, Montgomery County revenues increase by \$3,100 in fiscal 2009 and by \$2,600 annually beginning in fiscal 2010. This represents the annual license fee and an annual \$100 renewal fee. Monitoring of the additional license can be handled with existing resources.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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