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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 773 (Senator Conway) Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Economic Matters

Baltimore City - Adult Entertainment - Age

This bill requires an alcoholic beverages licensee or license transferee in Baltimore City that offers "adult entertainment" to prohibit patrons under the age of 21 on the licensed premises.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Minimal. The bill may result in additional show cause hearings for the Baltimore City Board of Liquor License Commissioners if licensees are found to be in violation of the requirement. Additional hearings may result in additional fine revenue for Baltimore City.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The prohibition against selling or providing alcoholic beverages to individuals under the age of 21 applies statewide.

In Baltimore City an alcoholic beverages licensee:

- may employ a person 18 or older to sell, serve, deliver, or otherwise deal with alcoholic beverages;
- may not employ or allow a person under 18 to sell, serve, or deliver alcoholic beverages; and

• may not employ or allow a person under the age of 18 years to provide entertainment on the licensed premises.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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