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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

Senate Bill 363 (Senator Pugh, *et al.*)  
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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**Baltimore City - Park Heights Redevelopment Area - Alcoholic Beverages - Store Closing Hours**

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This bill establishes 10 p.m. as the time at which alcoholic beverages sales must stop for establishments with a Class A beer and light wine license or a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license in the Park Heights Redevelopment Area of Baltimore City.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2012.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** None. Baltimore City can handle any additional enforcement activities with existing resources.

**Small Business Effect:** Potential meaningful. However, the extent to which shorter hours of sale for the seven affected businesses cannot be reliably quantified. Such a negative effect would tend to vary by establishment.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** In Maryland, unless otherwise specified in statute, the hours during which the privileges conferred by a Class A beer and light wine license or a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license may be exercised are from 6 a.m. to midnight on every day except Sunday. In the Park Heights Redevelopment Area that is specified in the Park Heights Master Plan adopted in 2006, the hours of sale for either license type begin at 9 a.m. each day.

**Background:** There are currently six Class A beer, wine, and liquor and one Class A beer and light wine licensed package stores in the Park Heights Redevelopment Area of Baltimore City.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** HB 263 (Delegate B. Robinson, *et al.*) - Economic Matters.

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