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Senate Bill 21 (Senator Kagan)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Alcoholic Beverages - Manufacturer's Licenses - Requirements for Food Sales

This bill requires an alcoholic beverages manufacturer (*e.g.*, breweries, wineries, and distilleries) in the State that sells food for on-premises consumption to also (1) provide or conspicuously display a menu of food options or (2) conspicuously display the actual food items available for purchase. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2020.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: The State issues nine different types of alcoholic beverages manufacturer's licenses (four for beer production, two for wine production, and three for liquor production). Many of these manufacturer's licenses authorize the licensee to sell or serve their products for on-site consumption or authorize the licensee to sell or serve their products on-site after obtaining a related permit from a local board of license commissioners. Some manufacturer's licenses require the licensee to also sell and serve food (*e.g.*, the Class 6 pub brewery license) while others do not expressly require the sale or serving of food (*e.g.*, the Class 5 brewery license).

In fiscal 2019, there were 298 alcoholic beverages manufacturer's licenses issued in the State.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Comptroller's Office; Baltimore City; Harford, and Montgomery counties; Department of Legislative Services

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