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Senate Bill 571

(Senator McCray)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Economic Matters

Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - Licenses - Hours of Sale

This bill alters the hours of sale for a Class B-D-7 beer, wine, and liquor license located in an area of Baltimore City bounded on the north by North Avenue, on the west by Central Avenue and Harford Avenue, on the south by Monument Street as it runs from North Central Avenue to North Wolfe Street and McElderry Street as it runs from North Wolfe Street to Luzerne Avenue, and on the east by Luzerne Avenue as it runs from Monument Street to Federal Street, then by Rose Street as it runs from Federal Street to North Avenue. The hours of sale for a license holder in this area are from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and may not be extended if they begin later than 9 a.m. or end after 10 p.m. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2020.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Baltimore City can handle any additional enforcement with existing resources. Revenues are not affected.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: The Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class B-D-7 license if it determines, upon consideration of the number of beer, wine, and liquor outlets in the affected area and the outlets' days of sale, that the license is reasonably necessary for public convenience. A Class B-D-7 license authorizes the licensee to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on- and off-premises consumption. With specified exceptions, a

Class B-D-7 licensee may sell beer, wine, and liquor from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day. For a Class B-D-7 licensee located in the area bounded by Liberty Heights Avenue, Northern Parkway, Druid Park Drive, and Wabash Avenue, the hours of sale are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The annual license fee is \$1,320.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: None.

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