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Economic Matters

(Prince George's County Delegation)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages - Transfer of Class A Beer, Wine,
and Liquor License**
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This bill authorizes the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners to approve the transfer of a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license to a premises located in a specified area if there is no Class A beer, wine, and liquor license operating within one mile of the premises. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2022.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Prince George's County can monitor a license transfer with existing resources. Prince George's County revenues are not affected.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: In Prince George's County, a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license authorizes a license holder to sell alcoholic beverages at retail in a sealed package or container for off-premises consumption. The annual license fee is \$910.

Generally, and with specified exceptions, the board may not issue a new license with an off-sale privilege in or approve the transfer of a license with an off-sale privilege into a

part of the 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, or 47th alcoholic beverages district in the county. However, the board may issue a license in or approve the transfer of a license into these areas, if the off-sale privilege of the license is waived.

Additionally, the board may convert one Class D (on-sale) beer and wine license issued for premises in the 7100 block of Baltimore Avenue in College Park to a Class D (on- and off-sale) beer and wine license for premises in the 7100 to 7200 block of Baltimore Avenue in College Park.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: None.

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