

**Department of Legislative Services**  
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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**  
**First Reader**

House Bill 1014 (Prince George's County Delegation)  
Economic Matters

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**Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Prohibition on Transfer  
of Class A Beer, Wine, and Liquor License**  
**PG 307-23**

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This bill prohibits the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners from approving the transfer or sale of a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license. If a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license expires or the holder no longer wishes to retain the license, the holder must return the license to the board. The board is prohibited from reissuing a returned license. **This bill takes effect July 1, 2023.**

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Prince George's County revenues may decrease minimally, beginning in FY 2024, from decreases in license revenue in instances where the board is prohibited from reissuing a returned license under the bill. Prince George's County can handle the bill's requirements with existing resources.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** Generally, except as specified, the board may not approve the transfer of a license from one location to another for at least two years after the issuance of a new license unless the board determines that the transfer to the new location is necessary to accommodate the public and the transferee has complied with specified residency requirements.

In Prince George's County, Class A beer, wine, and liquor licenses authorize the licensee to sell beer, wine, and liquor at retail in a sealed package or container that may not be opened or consumed on the licensed premises. The annual license fee is \$910.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Designated Cross File:** None.

**Information Source(s):** Prince George's County; Department of Legislative Services

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