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House Bill 438

(Prince George's County Delegation)

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Prince George's County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B-Stadium (Baseball Stadium) Beer, Wine, and Liquor License
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This bill authorizes, in Prince George's County, Class B-Stadium (baseball stadium) license holders to sell liquor in addition to beer and wine for on-premises consumption. The bill also renames the previous Class B beer, wine, and liquor stadium license as the Class B-Stadium (football stadium) license. The bill specifies that the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners is authorized to issue one Class B-Stadium (baseball stadium) license and one Class B-Stadium (football stadium) license. Profits from the sale of beer, wine, or liquor may accrue to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) or the concessionaire. **The bill takes effect April 1, 2023.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The bill does not materially affect Prince George's County finances or operations.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: Class B-Stadium (baseball stadium) license holders in Prince George's County are authorized to sell beer and light wine, as specified. The board

may issue the license to M-NCPPC or a private concessionaire under contract with M-NCPPC. The annual license fee is \$2,420.

In Prince George's County, a Class B beer, wine, and liquor stadium license authorizes the licensee to sell beer, wine, and liquor by the drink or bottle, from one or more outlets, for on-premises consumption. The license can only be exercised at a National Football League stadium located in Landover, Maryland (the current home stadium location of the Washington Commanders). The annual license fee is \$21,780.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

Designated Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Prince George's County; Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission; Department of Legislative Services

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