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Senate Bill 767

(Frederick County Senators)

Finance Economic Matters

Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Promoter's Permit

This bill authorizes the holder of a promoter's permit in Frederick County to sell beer, wine, and liquor at an event. The permit holder may not hold an alcoholic beverages license. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2024.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The bill does not materially affect Frederick County finances or operations.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: In Frederick County, a for-profit organization must obtain a promoter's permit from the board before the organization may publicize, sell tickets for, organize, operate, produce, or stage an event at which alcoholic beverages are sold or served. The permit fee is (1) \$50, for an event in which the promoter expects fewer than 500 individuals will attend; (2) \$250, for an event in which the promoter expects between 500 and 1,000 individuals will attend; (3) \$600, for an event in which the promoter expects between 1,001 and 3,000 will attend; and (4) \$1,000, for an event in which the promoter expects more than 3,000 individuals will attend.

The board may adopt regulations establishing the requirements for conducting a specified event, including health and safety standards to be met by a permit holder.

Additional Information

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

Designated Cross File: HB 743 (Frederick County Delegation) - Economic Matters.

Information Source(s): Frederick County; Department of Legislative Services

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