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House Bill 1145
Economic Matters

(Delegate Ebersole)

Baltimore County - Alcoholic Beverages - Waiting Period After License Denial

This bill establishes, in Baltimore County, that if an alcoholic beverages license application is denied, another license application for the same location may not be made for one year after the denial. If a license application for a location is denied twice, a license may not be issued for the same location for two years after the second denial. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2025.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

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

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: Generally, if an alcoholic beverages license application is denied, another application may not be considered from the same applicant or for the same location for six months after the denial and if a subsequent application by the same applicant or for the same location is denied within a two year period immediately after the first denial, another application may not be considered from that applicant or for that location until the two year period expires.

Additional Information

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

Designated Cross File: None.

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