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First Reader

Senate Bill 974
Finance

(Caroline County Senators)

Caroline County - Alcoholic Beverages - Inspector

This bill establishes that the inspector for the Caroline County Board of License Commissioners must be either an individual appointed by the board or the county codes administrator. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2026.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

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

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The county codes administrator for Caroline County serves as the inspector for the Caroline County Board of License Commissioners. The board must specify the duties of the inspector, including the administration and enforcement of the alcoholic beverages laws of the county.

Additional Information

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

Designated Cross File: HB 1613 (Caroline County Delegation) - Rules and Executive Nominations.

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