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The Honorable Pamela Beidle
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Dear Chairwoman and Members of the Committee,

Senate Bill 531 is a local bill that establishes a barbershop and beauty salon beer and wine alcoholic beverages license in Caroline County. This bill authorizes the Caroline County Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to holders of specified barbershop and beauty salon permits.

Under this bill, a license holder may provide up to 12 ounces of beer or 5 oz of wine by the glass for on-premises consumption only while performing activities related to barber shops and beauty salons. A license holder may provide beer and wine during normal business hours, and they are prohibited from transferring the license to another location.

The licensed establishment will be subject to alcohol awareness, as specified under current law and the annual license fee is \$100.

I ask for your favorable consideration of Senate Bill 531.