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House Bill 844

(Anne Arundel County Delegation)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

City of Annapolis - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Club Public Event Permit

This bill establishes the club public event permit in the City of Annapolis. The City of Annapolis Board of License Commissioners may issue the permit to the holder of a Class C alcoholic beverages license. The permit authorizes a club to sell alcoholic beverages that are allowed under the club's Class C license during a public event, at the place described in the license, to an individual who is not a member of the club or a guest of the member for on-premises consumption. The permit holder must submit an application for approval to the board at least 45 days before a public event and obtain approval from the board before each public event. The board may approve up to 12 public events per permit holder in a calendar year. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2020.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The bill is not anticipated to materially affect the City of Annapolis finances or operations.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: Generally, in the City of Annapolis, Class C licenses are held by private clubs and are restricted to on-premises consumption from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m., seven days a week.

In fiscal 2019, there were nine Class C alcoholic beverages licenses issued in the City of Annapolis.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: SB 503 (Senator Elfreth) - Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Information Source(s): City of Annapolis; Comptroller's Office; Department of Legislative Services

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