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Senate Bill 37

(Senator Beidle, *et al.*)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Economic Matters

**Anne Arundel County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B and Class H Licenses -
Renewals**

This bill requires, in Anne Arundel County, that prior to a license renewal, holders of Class B beer and light wine; Class H beer and light wine; Class B beer, wine, and liquor; or Class H beer, wine, and liquor licenses must attest in a sworn statement that the gross receipts from food sales for the 12-month period immediately preceding the application for renewal were at least 51% of the gross receipts from the sale of food and alcoholic beverages, as specified. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2020.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The bill is not anticipated to materially affect Anne Arundel County operations or finances.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: Under Chapter 5(c) of the Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners Rules and Regulations, holders of Class B, Class BLX, and Class H alcoholic beverages licenses are required to preserve for a period of two years the original invoices or sales tickets of food and alcoholic beverages purchased, and sale receipts must be at least 51% from the sale of food.

In fiscal 2019, there were 553 alcoholic beverages licenses issued in Anne Arundel County.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: HB 430 (Anne Arundel County Delegation) - Economic Matters.

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