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Senate Bill 700
Finance

(Wicomico County Senators)

Wicomico County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class B (Golf Course) License - Hours
of Sale

This bill extends the hours of sale the holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor (golf course) license in Wicomico County can sell alcoholic beverages on Monday through Saturday to 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. and on Sunday to 7:00 a.m. to midnight. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2026.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Wicomico County can handle any additional enforcement activities with existing resources. Wicomico County revenues are not affected.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: The Wicomico County Board of License Commissioners is authorized to issue a Class B beer, wine, and liquor (golf course) license to a golf course or organization that (1) is open to the public; (2) is operated for profit; (3) owns real estate in the county; and (4) has a golf course with a minimum of 18 holes. The license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor for consumption on the land and in the buildings, including the clubhouse, used for golfing purposes. A patron does not need to be seated to be served.

A holder of the license may sell beer, wine, and liquor (1) on Monday through Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following day, and (2) on Sunday, from 10:00 a.m. to midnight. The annual license fee is \$2,200.

Additional Information

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

Designated Cross File: HB 754 (Wicomico County Delegation) - Government, Labor, and Elections.

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