

**TITLE:** CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE LIMIT ON THE AMOUNT OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGES A PERSON LICENSED TO SELL ALCOHOL BEVERAGES FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION MAY PURCHASE FROM A LICENSED ALCOHOL BEVERAGE RETAILER.

## **Summary of Legislation**

Current law places an annual limit on the amount of alcohol beverages that an establishment licensed to sell alcohol on-premises may purchase at retail (rather than from a licensed alcohol beverage wholesaler). This bill increases the annual limit from \$1,000 for hotel and restaurant licensees to \$2,000. The retail purchase limit for all other alcohol beverage licensees is increased from \$500 to \$2,000 per year.

The bill takes effect August 8, 2012, assuming the General Assembly adjourns May 9, 2012, as scheduled and no referendum petition is filed.

## Assessment

The bill is assessed as no fiscal impact. The bill will not affect oversight or licensing requirements for the Department of Revenue.

## **Departments Contacted**

Revenue Local Affairs