

Legislative Analysis



MUNICIPAL CIVIC CENTER LIQUOR LICENSE

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House Bill 4411 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Curtis S. VanderWall
Committee: Regulatory Reform
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SUMMARY:

The bill would lower the population threshold required for a municipal civic center or civic auditorium, or its concessionaires, to sell alcohol at scheduled events.

House Bill 4411 would amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code. Currently, the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (LCC) may, under certain conditions, issue liquor licenses to a commission, board, or authority that governs or operates a municipal civic center or civic auditorium and/or to 1 or more of its concessionaires. One of the conditions is that the center or auditorium be within a city or township that has a population of at least 9,500. The bill would lower the required threshold to a population of not less than 5,500.

(The act also requires that the center or auditorium be owned and operated as a municipal enterprise and that the legislative body of the municipality first authorizes the operating authority of the civic center or auditorium or its concessionaire to apply to the commission for a license. Such licenses are not subject to the quota provisions that restrict the number of certain licenses in a geographic area based on population. They are also not available to an educational institution or for a facility operated in connection with an educational institution. The sale of alcohol under this license must be in connection with a scheduled event at the licensed premises.)

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4411 would not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs or on other units of state or local government.

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