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House Bill 4411 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Representative Curtis S. VanderWall  
House Committee: Regulatory Reform  
Senate Committee: Regulatory Reform

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code to lower the population threshold required for a municipal civic center or civic auditorium to be issued a license.

Currently, the Michigan Liquor Control Commission may issue, without regard to the Code's population-based quota provisions, licenses to a commission, board, or authority governing or operating a municipal civic center or civic auditorium or to one or more of its concessionaires, or to both, if all of the following apply:

- The center or auditorium is within a city or township having a population of at least 9,500.
- The center or auditorium is owned and operated as a municipal enterprise.
- 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.

The bill would lower the population threshold from 9,500 to 5,500.

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Legislative Analyst: Stephen Jackson

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have a negligible positive fiscal impact on State revenue. A small increase in license fees from cities and villages with a population between 5,500 and 9,499 could result from the bill. According to testimony before the House Regulatory Reform Committee on September 27, 2017, 53 communities that currently are not eligible would qualify for a license under the bill.

The bill could have a small, positive fiscal impact upon those 53 communities if they otherwise qualified and had an interest in acquiring a liquor license for a locally owned auditorium. The opportunity to generate additional revenue for those communities would vary, per community.

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