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The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) is pleased to have the opportunity to review City Council Bill #19-0158R, entitled "Approval for the Exchange of a Class B-D-7 License to a Class A-7 License - 1503-05 Light Street." This resolution seeks to have a property's liquor license changed, in accordance with state law, from one class to another, less comprehensive class. BCHD is supportive of efforts to limit alcohol outlet density, as the American Journal of Preventive Medicine notes that greater density contributes to excessive alcohol consumption and related harms. With this in mind, BCHD recommends a favorable report on Council Bill #19-0158R.

¹ https://www.thecommunityguide.org/sites/default/files/publications/Alcohol-AJPM-recs-outlet-density.pdf