

**Office of the County Auditor**  
**Auditor's Analysis**

**Council Bill No. 19-2025**

Introduced: March 3, 2025

Auditor: Rebecca Gold

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Fiscal Impact:

Depending on enforcement efforts, this legislation may bring in revenues in the form of fines for noncompliance. The Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits (DILP) indicated that enforcement efforts would likely be performed by existing staff at no additional cost to the County, through a complaint-driven or spot-check process.

Fines for each Class A offense are defined in Section 24.107 of the County Code as having a minimum amount of \$500 and a maximum of \$1,000.

The DILP indicated that it has had no instances of Class A offenses in recent years, as it generally provides enforcement for Class B offenses.

Purpose:

This legislation prohibits lodging establishments from offering or providing rooms in demarcations of an hour or less. Doing so is to be established as a Class A offense, enforceable by the DILP.

Other Comments:

The DILP indicated that its staff does not have the capacity or skill set to conduct covert, undercover, or secret-shopper type operations. It relayed that operations similar to alcohol and cigarette age-restriction enforcement activities could be utilized; however, it may need outside law enforcement support to conduct this type of enforcement safely.