

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2692 - SB 2706

February 28, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes The Caverns in Grundy County to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - \$300/One-Time/ABC Fund
\$2,000/Recurring/ABC Fund
\$8,500/Recurring/General Fund

Increase Local Revenue - \$6,100/Recurring/Permissive

Assumptions:

- This bill applies to The Caverns in Grundy County.
- There is an initial application fee of \$300 and a \$2,000 annual fee payable to the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (ABC).
- No additional personnel or resources will be required by the ABC.
- Local privilege tax is estimated to be \$100 annually. Any increase in local government expenditures for collecting local privilege taxes is estimated to be not significant.
- State and local sales taxes and a 15.0 percent liquor-by-the-drink (LBD) tax will be assessed on alcoholic beverage sales.
- The current state sales tax rate is 7.0 percent; the local option sales tax rate in Grundy County is 2.25 percent; the effective rate of apportionment to local government pursuant to the state-shared allocation is estimated to be 3.617 percent.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 57-4-306(a), 50.0 percent of the 15.0 percent LBD tax is allocated to the state General Fund and 50.0 percent is distributed to the local government.
- It is assumed that the establishment will begin selling alcohol in FY18-19.
- Based on the interquartile average of 2017 LBD tax returns and assuming reasonable growth rates in LBD tax collections, the average taxable base per establishment is estimated to be approximately \$120,000 per year.
- Given current limitations on the availability of LBD sales data by venue type and size, it is assumed that there are three venue-type categories: smaller than average; average; and larger than average. For the purpose of estimating the tax base for entities authorized to conduct LBD sales pursuant to legislation, the following ratios relative to the average

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LBD taxable base for all sized entities are utilized: 50 percent for smaller than average; 100 percent for average; and 150 percent for larger than average.

- Given the size of this particular venue, the recurring increase in sales is estimated to be 50 percent of the average taxable base, or \$60,000 ($\$120,000 \times 50\%$) per year.
- The recurring increase in state revenue to the General Fund is estimated to be \$8,548 [$(\$60,000 \times 7.0\%) - (\$60,000 \times 7.0\% \times 3.617\%) + (\$60,000 \times 15.0\% \times 50.0\%)$].
- The recurring increase in local revenue is estimated to be \$6,102 [$\$100 + (\$60,000 \times 2.25\%) + (\$60,000 \times 7.0\% \times 3.617\%) + (\$60,000 \times 15.0\% \times 50.0\%)$].
- Any revenue collected from any state or local taxes imposed on manufacturers or wholesalers is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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