



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

Bill # SB0524

Title: Revise brewery regulation and beer distribution laws

Primary Sponsor: Wanzenried, David E

Status: As Introduced

- Significant Local Gov Impact
 Needs to be included in HB 2
 Technical Concerns
 Included in the Executive Budget
 Significant Long-Term Impacts
 Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2008 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2009 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Description of fiscal impact:

Proposed law allows direct delivery of limited amounts of beer from licensed out-of-state brewers to licensed retailers in conformity with the Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution. Proposed law will not impact revenues, but will require additional department administrative expenditure. The additional expenditure requirements are included in the executive budget request.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

- Section 1 of the bill amends 16-3-211, MCA, to require licensed retailers to report amounts of beer purchased directly from brewers not located in Montana. Processing reports will require additional expenditure by the Department of Revenue. However, projected additional expenditure is less than 0.5 FTE, and it is not included in this fiscal note because it is included in the executive budget request.

2. Section 2 of the bill amends 16-3-214, MCA, to allow licensed brewers not located in Montana to deliver beer directly to licensed retailers. Fiscal note assumes any direct deliveries to retailers from out-of-state brewers allowed under proposed law will be made by currently licensed brewers, and will not increase license fee revenue in FY 2008 through FY 2011.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

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