

Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

| Bill # | HB0440 | Title: | Generally revise winery regulatory laws |
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| Primary Sponsor: | Curdy, Willis | Status: | As Introduced |
| ☐Significant Local Gov Impact | | □Needs to be included in HB 2 | ⊠Technical Concerns |
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| | FISCAL SUMMARY | | | |
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| | FY 2022 Difference | FY 2023 Difference | FY 2024 Difference | FY 2025 Difference |
| Expenditures: | | | | <u> </u> |
| General Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| State Special Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Revenue: | | , | , | |
| General Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| State Special Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Net Impact-General Fund Balance: | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

<u>Description of fiscal impact:</u> There is no fiscal impact to the state.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

- 1. HB 440 requires wineries who applied for licensure after the effective date of this act to crush and ferment over 50% of their fermentable agriculture products used in production at the winery and allows them to operate a tasting room where they may provide samples between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- 2. Samples are limited to 16 ounces of wine or 48 ounces of hard cider per person per day.
- 3. There is an increase to the amount of wine a winery can self-distribute to retailers.
- 4. This act only applies to licenses sought after the passage and approval of the act.
- 5. Nothing will change for wineries existing as of the effective date of this act.

Technical Notes:

1. Language should be added to clarify whether the 50% fermentable product standard applies to cider produced by the winery; it is unlikely that cider production will be able to meet this standard.

- 2. It is unclear if a winery can provide free samples; Section 1 states that a winery must sell wine in the tasting room, while Section 1 (2)(b)(i) allows a winery to provide wine with or without charge.
- 3. It is unclear if the grandfathering provision applies if a winery licensed before the effective date of the act sells their license.
- 4. There is some ambiguity around if a person can consume both 16 ounces of wine and 48 ounces of hard cider in a day, or if sampling wine excludes the person from sampling cider or vice versa.
- 5. Section 4 specifies that the act is only applicable to licenses sought after the effective date. However, the current language surrounding how wineries can sell and sample wine is struck in 16-3-411. Further clarification is necessary on what acts are allowable for wineries not affected by this bill.
- 6. It is not clear if the case limit changing from 4,500 to 6,000 in one area, Section 1 (3)(a)(i), but not the other (Section 1 (3)(a)(iii)(A), was intentional.
- 7. The limit for self-distribution and delivery by common carrier should be in liters, not cases as liters sold/shipped is what is reported to the department.

Sponsor's Initials

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