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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a person who violates the state's alcohol beverage laws may be prosecuted and, if convicted, may be subject to penalties including forfeiture, fine, or imprisonment. A violation that results in a fine or imprisonment is a criminal offense, while a violation that results in forfeiture generally is not.

This bill prohibits pretrial discovery under the rules of civil procedure in any prosecution for a violation of the alcohol beverage laws that may result in the imposition of forfeiture. In a forfeiture proceeding, pretrial discovery may only be conducted to the extent it would be available under the rules of criminal procedure if the matter were a criminal proceeding. Thus, in a prosecution for a violation of the alcohol beverage laws that may result in the imposition of forfeiture, no party may conduct a discovery deposition or serve written interrogatories.

This bill has no effect on state tax revenues. No additional administrative costs are expected.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications