

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DOA 6/4/2009

LRB Number	09-0905/1	Introduction Number	AB-0287	Estimate Type	Original
Description Increasing the tax on fermented malt beverages to fund law enforcement grants and alcohol and drug abuse treatment and prevention programs, granting rule-making authority, and making appropriations					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The proposed bill would increase the tax rate for the tax on fermented malt beverages from \$2 per barrel to \$10 per barrel. As part of this increase, an amount of the taxes collected on fermented malt beverages equal to \$2 per barrel will be used by the Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) to provide grants to counties and municipalities to reduce crimes related to alcohol use by employing additional law enforcement officers, obtain equipment and training and pay overtime salary and fringe benefits of the law enforcement officers.

Based on Section 10 of the bill, it is estimated that OJA would have \$9,400,000 available to fund these grants. Since no award may be granted in excess of \$250,000 to any county or municipality, it is likely that there would be 35 to 50 annual awards per year. Criteria that will be used to allocate the funds will be developed by OJA and are not subject to administrative rules.

There is a match required of at least 10 percent of the grant amount. As it is not possible to identify which counties and municipalities would be awarded grants in any given year, it is not possible to identify where the minimum of \$940,000 funds match would be generated.

OJA has no administrative funds available to implement, monitor, and administer the proposed grant program. Since the bill would only allow funds raised by the \$2 per barrel tax increase to be used for grants, it is estimated that OJA would need \$325,300 GPR annually and 3.50 GPR FTE for administrative functions (develop the application, create the selection criteria, review plans, provide the fiscal functions required for grant payments, etc.).

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown. At a minimum, the annual GPR administrative costs would be \$325,300 plus pay plan and increased fringe benefit costs.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$301,400		\$
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance	9,400,000		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$9,701,400		\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR	301,400		
FED			
PRO/PRS	9,400,000		
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, ets.)			
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev	
GPR Taxes	\$		\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS	9,400,000		
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues	\$9,400,000		\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
	State	Local	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$9,701,400		\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$9,400,000		\$
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