



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2025 Biennium

Bill information:

SB0075 - Generally revise laws related to alcohol licenses (Fitzpatrick, Steve)

Status: As Introduced

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

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2025</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2026</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027</u> <u>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: SB 75 has no fiscal impact to the state.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Department of Revenue

- SB 75 would require out-of-state breweries and beer importers to seek registration from the Department of Revenue, rather than a license.
- There are currently approximately 125 out-of-state breweries and beer importers with licenses from the Department of Revenue; changing from licensure to registration would have minimal to no impact on these existing licensees.
- This bill also revises suitability requirements for applicants and includes new entity types for licensure such as trusts, nonprofit organizations, and cooperative associations.
- Changes required to implement this bill would be managed through normal maintenance and would have no expected cost to the Department of Revenue.

Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education

- The proposed change in the academic brewer license section would clarify the criteria of an individual seeking an application for license which does not include a financial implication to the MUS.

Technical Notes:

1. Sections 1 through 5 should have an effective date of July 1, 2024, to ensure adequate time to make system changes and notify the existing licensees of the change.
2. A transition clause should be added indicating that the department will reclassify the existing out-of-state brewery/beer importer licenses into registrations at the time of the effective date.
3. 16-4-501, MCA, should be updated to ensure the fees for beer registrants are the same as they currently are for beer licensees.

NO SPONSOR SIGNATURE

Sponsor's Initials

1/4/23

Date

NO

Budget Director's Initials

1-2-23

Date