



FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 268

Committee: Tourism

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Senate Bill 268 as reported by the Committee on Tourism would create wholesaler and retail licenses to be issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board, to distribute and sell mixed spirit beverages. This could increase receipts to the State General Fund by an estimated \$2.5 million annually from license fees as follows:

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Initial & Renewal License Fees</u>
Mixed Spirit Beverage Wholesaler License	\$550 plus \$200 for each additional warehouse
Beer, Wine, and Mixed Spirit Beverage Wholesaler License	\$1,000 plus \$200 for each additional warehouse
Mixed Spirit Expanded Retail License	\$500

This bill could also increase receipts to any county or municipality that levies a complementary local privilege or license tax by an undetermined amount dependent on the rate of such tax and the amount of products sold in the respective locality.

Further, this bill levies a privilege or excise tax on the sales of mixed spirit beverages at \$0.035 per ounce or fractional part thereof, which would be distributed as follows:

- State General Fund - 50%
- ABC Board - 50%

According to the Board, the estimated tax receipts generated from this new tax levy would result in an estimated loss of \$2.5 million annually.