Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE Revised

House Bill 1194 (Delegate Donoghue, et al.)
Economic Matters Referred to Economic and Environmental Affairs

Alcoholic Beverages - Family Beer and Wine Facility Permit

This amended bill creates a Family Beer and Wine Facility permit to be issued by the State Comptroller. The issuance and renewal fee is \$100. A holder may establish a facility for the production of "family beer or wine" by nonlicensed State consumers of legal drinking age. A holder may provide equipment, raw materials, and instructions to the consumer. Except for beer or wine produced for testing equipment or recipes, the permit holder may not engage in the actual production or manufacture of the beer or wine. In addition, all beer and wine must be removed from the premises.

The State Comptroller may adopt regulations regarding limits on the quantities produced, the requirements for record keeping, and any other activities that relate to the operation of a family beer and wine facility.

The bill is effective June 1, 1996.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund revenues would increase by \$100 annually for each family beer and wine facility permit issued. The Office of the Comptroller, which anticipates issuing five such permits in FY 1997, could issue the licenses and monitor licensees with existing resources.

Local Effect: None.

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