

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
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House Bill 667 (Montgomery County Delegation)

Economic Matters

Referred to Economic and Environmental Affairs

Alcoholic Beverages - Montgomery County
(Pub- and Micro-Breweries in Gaithersburg)
MC 623-96

This amended bill authorizes the State Comptroller to issue a Class 7 micro-brewery license in the City of Gaithersburg in Montgomery County. A holder of a Class 7 license may brew in more than one location if the holder had a Class 6 pub-brewery license in Gaithersburg prior to January 1, 1996. In addition, a holder of a micro-brewery license must enter into an agreement with the Montgomery County Department of Liquor Control for the sale and resale of all malt beverages brewed under the license.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: \$1,230 general fund revenue increase due to the issuance of a Class 7 micro-brewery license. Out-year revenues reflect only the license fee and renewal fee.

(in dollars)	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
GF Revenues	\$1,230	\$530	\$530	\$530	\$530
GF Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0
Net Effect	\$1,230	\$530	\$530	\$530	\$530

Note: () - decrease; GF - general funds

Local Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

State Revenues: One Class 7 micro-brewery license would probably be issued annually in the City of Gaithersburg. This license would generate an annual license fee of \$500, an initial issuance fee of \$200, and a renewal fee of \$30. Fiscal Services expects the first

license to be issued in fiscal 1997. Because license fees are renewable May 1 annually, the State would collect two license fees in fiscal 1997. As a result, general fund revenues would increase by \$1,230 in fiscal 1997 due to the two license fees, the issuance fee, and the renewal fee. Future-year revenues would increase by \$530 annually reflecting the annual license fee and renewal fee.

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