

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 704 (Senator Derr)
Economic and Environmental Affairs

Alcoholic Beverages - Micro-Breweries - Temporary Delivery Agreements

This bill authorizes a holder of a Class 7 micro-brewery license to enter into a temporary agreement with a distributor for delivery of beer to a beer festival or wine and beer festival and the return of any unused beer. The temporary agreement can only be entered into if it is in writing and the festival is in a sales territory for which the license holder does not have a franchise with a distributor. The bill also provides that provisions of law relating to the cancellation, termination, or non-renewal of agreements between franchisees and manufacturers do not apply to temporary delivery agreements for festivals.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill would not directly affect State operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal impact on small businesses.

Information Source(s): Comptroller's Office (Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit), Baltimore City, Talbot County, Prince George's County

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