

Colorado Legislative Council Staff

HB17-1145

FISCAL NOTE

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BILL TOPIC: AMATEUR WINEMAKER TASTINGS CONTESTS & JUDGINGS

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, amateur brewers and winemakers are exempt from liquor licensing requirements. Amateur brewers may participate in organized events, such as contests, tastings, or judgings, held at licensed premises, as long as portions do not exceed six ounces and are not sold, offered for sale, or made available for consumption by the general public. The bill allows amateur winemakers to also participate in organized events, provided the same portion and sale requirements are met.

Assessment

The bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact, as it does not impact the revenue or expenditures of any state or local government agency. Amateur winemakers are currently exempt from liquor licensing requirements, and the fiscal note assumes that any additional organized events held as a result of the bill will be held on premises that currently hold a valid liquor license.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 9, 2017, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 10, 2017, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed. It applies to organized events held on or after that date.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties Judicial Law Municipalities Revenue