

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 1251** HLS 26RS 3922

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.: **HB 541**

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<b>Subject:</b> Microdistillery Permitting Costs		

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Provides for a permit and cost of permit for microdistillers processing a certain number of gallons per year

Present law establishes a microdistillery permit for holders of a Retailer’s Class A permit for an annual fee of \$1,000 which authorizes the distilling, making, blending, rectifying or processing of any alcoholic beverage in the state. Quantity is limited to 12,000 gallons per year for retail consumption on or off the licensed premises.

Proposed law creates a permit for in state manufacturing distillers who distill less than one hundred gallons for an annual fee amount of one hundred dollars

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

  

REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>						

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

Proposed law creates a permit for in state manufacturing distillers who distill less than one hundred gallons in an annual fee amount of one hundred dollars. Alcohol and Tobacco Control, report that they are able to address any necessary licensing, programming, or software changes within its current budget, and will not require additional resources to implement these changes.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

Alcohol and Tobacco Control report that currently only 2 active microdistillery licenses exist. To the extent that more distillers apply for permits, SGR revenues will increase by \$100 per permit. The LFO is unable to definitively determine how many additional permits, if any, will be purchased a result of proposed law. Because of this, the fiscal impact to SGR revenues is currently indeterminable but assumed to increase.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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