

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 67** HLS 16RS

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Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
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Dept./Agy.: Office of Juvenile Justice

Subject: Possession/Consumption-Alcoholic Beverages Under Age 18

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Provides relative to the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under the age of 18

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> as it pertains to persons who are at least 18 years of age but not yet 21 years. It is unlawful for any person under twenty-one years of age to purchase or have public possession of any alcoholic beverage. <u>Present law</u> states, whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be fined not more than \$100 or imprisoned for not more than six months, or both. <u>Proposed law</u> provides the following exceptions to the general prohibition of public possession of alcohol: 1) The person is under the direct supervision of a parent or legal guardian who is 21 years of age or older; 2) An established religious purpose; 3) Medical purposes when purchased as an over the counter medication, or when prescribed or administered by a licensed physician, pharmacist, dentist, nurse, hospital or medical institution; 4) When possession is pursuant to employment by a duly licensed manufacturer, wholesaler or retailer of alcoholic beverages. <u>Proposed law</u> provides penalties of a fine of not more than \$100, imprisonment for not more than 10 days or both.

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| EXPENDITURES | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
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| State Gen. Fd. | SEE BELOW | |
| Agy. Self-Gen. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Ded./Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Local Funds | SEE BELOW | |
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation may result in a nominal decrease in SGF expenditures for OJJ per juvenile offender of \$19,511 per offense as a result of the sentencing guideline changes for those under age 18 from six (6) months to ten (10) days associated with possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Under current law, the cost per juvenile offender for the maximum imprisonment term imposed is \$20,639 (\$112.78 per day x 6 months (or 183 days) if housed in a local detention center classified as pending secure placement. The cost per juvenile offender under this proposed legislation, notwithstanding certain exceptions, for the maximum imprisonment term imposed is \$1,128 ($$112.78 \times 10 \text{ days} = $1,128$) if housed in a local detention center classified as pending secure placement.

NOTE: Currently, OJJ has no youth in secure care facilities where possession of alcohol is the only charge. In the past six (6) years, OJJ had three (3) custody youth who had this charge, but those youth likely had other charges (multiple petitions).

To the extent impacted juveniles are adjudicated to a local juvenile justice organization, these entities may realize an indeterminable decrease in local funds expenditures in situations where juveniles sentences are reduced to ten (10) days.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. The proposed legislation retains present law where the penalties of a maximum fine of \$100 is not changed.

| <u>Senate</u> | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost { | House S&H} | $6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$ | Evan | Brasseaux |
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| 13.5.2 >= 3 | \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee | - | 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase | Evan Brassea Staff Director | |