

BILL SUMMARY

MEASURE: HB 3158 Committee Substitute

AUTHOR: Blackwell

SUBJECT: ABLE Commission

PROVISIONS: The measure abolishes the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission (ABLE) and transfers enforcement responsibilities to the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control (OBNDD). Personnel of the ABLE Commission responsible for enforcement shall be transferred to the OBNDD.

Regulatory licensing of alcohol wholesalers is transferred to the Oklahoma Tax Commission. Personnel of the ABLE Commission responsible for regulating alcohol wholesalers shall be transferred to the Oklahoma Tax Commission.

Six months prior to the transfer, the Director of OBNDD, the Director of the ABLE Commission and the Administrator of the Oklahoma Tax Commission shall serve as transition coordinators and shall establish a transition team to coordinate the orderly transfer of duties, personnel, property, funds, and encumbrances from ABLE to the OBNDD and the Oklahoma Tax Commission.

Measure creates two revolving funds within OBNDD to accept the fees derived from regulation of the industries. ABLE receives appropriated funds, while OBNDD derives its funding from fees.

The repealer removes duplicative or unnecessary language to avoid conflict once the consolidation occurs.

EFFECTIVE
DATE:

Varying Effective Dates. Sections 1 and 3 through 135 of this act shall become effective July 1, 2009, if the constitutional amendment contained in House Joint Resolution No. 1081 is approved by a vote of the people. Section 2 of this act shall become effective January 1, 2009, if the constitutional amendment contained in House Joint Resolution No. 1081 is approved by a vote of the people.

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