BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.:

Version:

Request Number:

Author:

Date:

ABLE: revenue neutral

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to SB 646 provides that it is not a violation of the Low-Point Beer Distribution Act for a licensed wholesaler to sell low-point beer to a retailer who holds a permit from the Oklahoma Tax Commission, regardless of whether or not the retailer holds a valid permit from the district court. The measure also provides that any license issued by the ABLE Commission may be relied upon by other licensees as a valid license, and no other licensee has any obligation to independently determine the validity of such license or be held liable solely as a consequence of another licensee's failure to maintain a valid license. The measure also provides that no licensee is to be held liable for engaging in business with any other retailer, mixed beverage, beer and wine, caterer, public event or special event licensee, bottle club, manufacturer, wholesaler or Class B wholesaler solely because the other party has failed to pay any occupational tax due. The bill modifies the definition of brewpub to mean an establishment that manufactures less than 10,000 barrels of beer annually. The measure provides additional requirements for nonresident manufacturers or sellers to sell its products in the state.

Prepared By: Brad Wolgamott

Fiscal Analysis

The CS on SB 646 upon review by the ABLE Commission is determined to have a revenue neutral impact on the agency. Interim licenses cost the same amounts as existing ABLE licenses. In order for the agency to handle the state question changes, these licenses will allow beer distributors to continue operations without delays.

Prepared By: Kristina King

Other Considerations

None.

© 2017 Oklahoma House of Representatives, see Copyright Notice at www.okhouse.gov