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Research Analysis

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS to HB3501 requires the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement (ABLE) Commission to issue multiple licenses for manufacturing beverages on the same premises to certain license holders and directs the ABLE Commission to promulgate rules to authorize alternating proprietorship or premises arrangements. Any costs associated with processing additional licenses and promulgating rules are expected to be absorbed in accordance with the normal duties of the ABLE Commission. However, the agency has provided the following context related to the measure:

Though the language says ABLE “shall issue” multiple licenses for a single premise, those premises are in effect simply eligible for licensure upon application. The fiscal impact would be the increased complexity of the regulatory burden regarding this type of arrangement. ABLE will need to analyze the written alternating agreements, business plans, and operational details when the applications are filed. It will cause the licensing and enforcement workload to increase due to the complexity of these operations. The agency has previously discussed the need for investigators with specialized knowledge (for example, accounting experience), and this would most likely required in order to properly regulate these types of arrangements. In addition, work load on the legal staff would increase due to the complexity of arrangements and questions from the public. An exact fiscal impact amount cannot be determined because the volume of new licenses that this new law would create is unknown. Section 2 gives ABLE the power to issue such licenses.

Therefore, the indirect workload increase on licensing, legal, and enforcement staff may accelerate the agency's need to seek additional appropriations in the future due to added administrative complexity. However, HB3501 is not anticipated to have an immediate material impact on state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

