BILL SUMMARY

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Impact: ABLE: Unknown Revenue Increase

ODMHSAS: Unknown Revenue Increase

Research Analysis

The House Committee Substitute for SB 1046 lowers the cost for the Delivery Service license from \$10,000 to \$2,500. The cs also provides that \$27 of the delivery driver license fee will be deposited in the Alcoholic Beverage Governance Revolving Fund, changed from \$30 in the engrossed version. Additionally, \$3 of each Delivery Driver License purchased will be deposited in the Alcohol Abuse Revolving Fund used specifically for the treatment of alcohol abuse by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. Any delivery service licensee must only deliver within the county the licensed premise is located and any immediately contiguous county shared a county line border with the licensee's home county where the license is held. The cs adds that delivery service licensees and technology services companies facilitating the sale of alcoholic beverages must comply with trade practice and illegal inducement as well as other applicable provisions. The measure removes the 15% or \$15 independent delivery fee and fee remitted to the ABLE Commission. The cs creates the "Alcohol Abuse Revolving Fund" for the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.

SB 1046 strikes the Bottle Club License from the list of licenses issued by ABLE in statute and adds a Delivery Service License, which is \$2,500, and a Delivery Driver License, which is \$30. The measure provides that delivery driver licenses are valid for two years. Employees licensed as delivery drivers and independent contractors of delivery service licensees will permitted to make alcoholic beverage product deliveries to consumers on behalf of a retail spirit licensee. An action by a delivery service or delivery will not be attributable to the retail spirit licensee with regard to providing alcohol to a minor or intoxicated person, the delivery of alcohol in an illegal area unless the retailer has agree to retain responsibility for this, or any other provision of the title. A retail spirit licensee's responsibility for delivery will be considered satisfied the moment the retail transfer possession of the alcoholic beverage product. This measure also allow delivery services and drivers to make deliveries on behalf of a restaurant, bar, or club licensee and grocery or convenience store licensees with the same provisions as to a retail spirit licensee.

The measure strikes a provision prohibiting utilizing third party vendors or delivery services for alcoholic beverage deliveries. A delivery service licensee or delivery driver of a delivery service licensee will be permitted to make deliveries to a consumer 21 or older for their personal use and not for resale. These individuals will liable for violations of law or ABLE administrative rules, affecting their license privileges. Any licensed establishment using a delivery service is not required to verify that the driver has received delivery driver training or a license and will not be liable for the actions or the driver or service. Additionally, pricing for alcoholic beverage products delivered will meet the minimum markup requirements, will not be discounted below the price at the licensed premises, and delivery service licensees will be prohibited from discriminating between any retailers. Any delivery service licensee must only deliver within the

county the licensed premise is located and any immediately contiguous county shared a county line border with the licensee's home county where the license is held. A delivery service licensee must not have any stake in the licenses listed in the measure. The measure also allows any individual, limited liability company, corporation, or partnership registered to do business in the state, regardless of ownership residency, to apply for an be issued a delivery service license. The measure outlines what the applicant must do to receive a delivery service license and what the licensee can do once they have a license. A delivery service licensee may annually renew their license for \$2,500. A delivery service licensee can charge a delivery fee but cannot college any portion of the amount of the retail sales price for the product and cannot deliver under any subscription delivery plan. Nothing in this act will require a technology services company to obtain a delivery license if the company does not employ or contract with a delivery service licensee or driver and just provides software or a network application. The ABLE Commission will enforce these requirements and promulgate rules as needed. Nothing in this act will authorize the direct of alcohol from any manufacturer. Nothing in this section will authorize a retail licensee to engage in central warehousing of products or allow a delivery to purchase from a wholesaler. Delivery drivers have 14 days to complete their training program after initial licensure. If ABLE denies a license, they will provide notice to places the driver serves. A delivery service licensee with training may purchase delivery driver licenses on behalf of the drivers.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS to SB1046 strikes from the statutory list of licenses issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission (ABLE) the Bottle Club License of \$1000, and adds to the list a Delivery Service License of \$2500 and a Delivery Driver License of \$30. The measure sets forth that \$27 of the Delivery Driver License fee shall be deposited into the Alcoholic Beverage Governance Revolving Fund, and that the remaining \$3 of the Delivery Driver License fee shall be deposited in the Alcohol Abuse Revolving Fund to be used specifically for the treatment of alcohol abuse by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS). According to officials with ABLE, the bottle club license fee has not been collected for a long period of time as bottle clubs no longer exist. ABLE anticipates that there will be several deliver service licenses issued, and more than likely several thousand delivery driver licenses issued.

Therefore, it is possible that the additional revenues from the newly added Deliver License fees may offset the loss of the previously collected Bottle Club License Fee, however the exact increase in revenue from collections is unknown because it is not possible to predict the number of the new licenses that will be issued. In its current form, SB1046 is expected to have an unknown increase in license fees collected by ABLE & OMDHSAS that are used to administer the influx of applicants and enforcement of rules, however it is overall expected to have a neutral impact on state budget and appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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