



SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number:	H. 3549	Signed by Governor on May 25, 2018
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Subject:	Alcohol	
Requestor:	House of Representatives	
RFA Analyst(s):	Mitchell	
Impact Date:	May 30, 2018	

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will have no expenditure or revenue impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds, as the bill does not materially or fiscally alter the Department of Revenue's responsibilities.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill requires businesses within 300 feet of a school to obtain a statement of affirmation from the local school board or other governing body in order to apply for a license for on-premises consumption of alcoholic liquor. Previously, licenses could be granted for businesses within 300 feet of a church or playground given that an applicant provided a statement from the decision-making body of a church or the owner of a playground stating that it did not object to the issuance of the license sought. This bill requires an applicant to provide a statement from a school board, the governing board of a charter school, or governing authorities of a private school to affirmatively state that they do not object to such issuances of licensure. The bill also states that, at the time of renewal for a specific license, the school board of a local public school, the governing board of a charter school, or governing authorities of a private school may withdraw its statement of affirmation if desired.

This bill permits the Department of Revenue (DOR) to issue permits for on-premises consumption of alcoholic liquor for facilities within 300 feet of a school, church, or playground when a statement of affirmation from the school, church, or playground is provided by an

applicant. DOR previously issued such permits for facilities within 300 feet of churches and playgrounds when appropriate approval was provided. DOR indicates that this bill does not fiscally or materially alter the responsibilities of the department. As such, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

State Revenue

DOR collects a license fee for each permit issued for on-premises consumption of alcoholic liquor. The department indicates that this bill is not expected to significantly increase the revenue collected from the aforementioned license fees. Thus, the bill will have no revenue impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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