



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1310

PRINTERS NO. 1486

PRIME SPONSOR: Toepel

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2011/12	FY 2012/13
Liquor License Fund	\$0	\$1,400

SUMMARY:

The bill amends the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L. 90, No. 21), known as the Liquor Code, as reenacted and amended, to further provide for definitions and limits on number of retail licenses to be issued in each county. The effective date is 60 days after enactment.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1310 amends Section 102 of the Liquor Code by adding a definition of ski resort as a resort where downhill skiing occurs, having a minimum of six ski trails and an elevation of at least 400 feet.

The bill also amends Section 461(a) of the Liquor Code to add privately-owned ski resorts to the list of entities that are exempt from the county quota system for restaurant liquor licenses. Section 461(a) limits restaurant liquor licenses to one license for each three thousand residents of a county; although exemptions to the limitation are provided for public venues, performing arts facilities, continuing care retirement communities, airport restaurants, municipal golf courses, hotels, privately-owned private golf courses, privately-owned public golf courses, racetracks, automobile racetracks, and non-primary pari-mutuel wagering locations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of this bill will increase revenue to the Liquor License Fund by \$1,400 if the ski resort that would become eligible for a license by passage of the bill chooses to obtain a restaurant liquor license. Annual renewal and licensing fees thereafter would be \$730.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.