



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1542

PRINTERS NO. 2601

PRIME SPONSOR: Saylor

COST / (SAVINGS)

| FUND | FY 2019/20 | FY 2020/21 |
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| State Stores Fund | See fiscal impact | See fiscal impact |

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1542, printer's number 2601, amends the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L. 90, No. 21), known as the Liquor Code, to further define eligible entity, and to further provide for special occasion permits.

The effective date is 60 days after enactment.

ANALYSIS:

The bill amends the definition of "eligible entity" in Section 102 of the Liquor Code to further provide for organizations eligible to obtain special occasion permits authorized in Section 408.4. Specifically, the bill adds any nationally recognized community-based voluntary health organization committed to fighting cancer, which has been in existence for at least 100 years. The definition is further amended to remove the year designation (1995) for a nonprofit organization located in a city of the first class, organized as a community development organization to promote health, safety and welfare of the residents, businesses and institutions of a neighborhood.

Section 408.4 of the Liquor Code is amended to extend the time that an eligible entity may use a special occasion permit from six consecutive or nonconsecutive days to nine consecutive or nonconsecutive days, and an additional ten consecutive days. Section 408.4(m) is also amended by the addition of a paragraph to provide that an entity operating in conjunction with a special occasion permit holder may collect and manage funds raised using the special occasion permit if the permit holder is the primary host of the activity or event, and the funds raised are used for the benefit of the special occasion permit holder.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on the State Stores Fund and may result in a nominal revenue gain from the issuance of special occasion permits to the new eligible entities.

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DATE: October 17, 2019

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