

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 423

PRINTER NO. 2175

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

State Stores Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

February 11, 2019

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Topper

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 423 amends Section 472 (Local Option) of the Liquor Code to allow questions to be placed on the ballot at any election other than a special election as to whether brewery licenses, brewery storage licenses, limited distillery licenses, and limited winery licenses should be issued within a municipality.

The legislation also changes the number of electors required to place a question on the ballot in a municipality or split municipality in County of the Second Class A from 25% of the highest vote cast at the last proceeding General Election to the lesser of 25% of the highest vote cast at the last proceeding General Election, or 500 electors.

The bill specifies that the amendment shall not apply to brewery licenses, brewery storage licenses, limited distillery licenses, board approved limited distillery locations, limited winery licenses, and board-approved limited winery locations granted before the effective date of the act.

The legislation is scheduled to take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of House Bill 423 will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.