

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 376 - HB 859**

February 27, 2015

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Establishes that no license or permit is required for the making, possession, transportation, or storage of homemade beer if: the person who makes the beer receives no compensation; the beer is not sold or offered for sale; and the total quantity of beer made in a calendar year does not exceed 100 gallons in a household with one person of legal drinking age, or 200 gallons in a household with two or more persons of legal drinking age. Authorizes such beer to be consumed by the person who made it and the person's family, neighbors, and friends at any private location where the possession and consumption of beer is permissible under current law. Authorizes homemade beer to be used for purposes of exhibition, demonstration, judging, tasting, or sampling, or as part of a contest or competition, if such events are held at a private residence or on licensed premises. Prohibits the imposition of fees for consumption of homemade beer at such events, except for an entrance fee to persons attending the events. Permits persons to conduct, sponsor, or host such contests, competitions, or similar events, provided that no fees are charged for consumption of homemade beer, except for the entrance fee. Authorizes local government to regulate such events, including requiring a permit. Prohibits the imposition of any taxes on homemade beer made in compliance with the provisions of this legislation. Removes the current maximum five gallon limit on the amount of homemade beer that can be transported at any one time.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

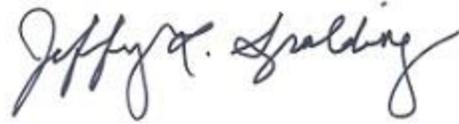
Assumptions:

- Licenses or permits are currently not required for the making, possession, transportation, or storage of homemade beer that is not intended for sale.
- Under current law, it is inferred that transportation of more than five gallons of homemade beer is for the purpose of resale or redistribution and subject to any applicable state and local taxes. However, any state or local tax collections imposed on such beer are estimated to be not significant.
- Any increase in local permit revenue from contests, competitions, or other events for the exhibition, demonstration, judging, tasting, or sampling of homemade beer is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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