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**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Jahn
Rep. Willett; Kraft-Tharp

Bill Status: Signed into Law
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BILL TOPIC: GOVERNMENT AGENCY SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT ELIGIBILITY

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Minimal workload increase.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: None.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill allows the Colorado Wine Industry Development Board, or state or local agencies that have a statutory mandate to promote alcohol beverages manufactured in Colorado or to promote tourism to an area of the state that manufactures alcohol beverages, to apply for a special event permit.

Background and Assumptions

Special event permits. Special event permits allow beer, wine, and spirits to be sold by the drink and may be issued by state or local licensing authorities. Under current law, organizations that may apply for a permit include social, fraternal, patriotic, political, athletic, religious or nonprofit organizations, as well as institutions of higher education, political candidates, or municipalities that own arts facilities. Permittees may hold up to 15 events per year.

Assumptions. Under the bill, state and local agencies that are eligible for a special event permit may include, among others, the Colorado Wine Development Board in the Department of Agriculture, the Colorado Tourism Office in the Office of Economic Development and International Trade, and city and county government tourism agencies. However, the fiscal note assumes that very few entities will apply for special events permits because eligibility alone allows entities to obtain donations of alcohol for events held at licensed retailers. The bill codifies existing practice into law by expanding the eligibility for a special event permit.

State Expenditures

The bill increases the workload for the DOR by a minimal amount in FY 2017-18 to conduct one-time rulemaking related to the bill. The assumed 10 hours of rulemaking can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Local Government Impact

To the extent that new special event permit applications are submitted as a result of the bill, workload and revenue will increase for local licensing authorities. If tourism offices choose to apply for a permit, workload and costs will increase for those local governments. Due to the limited number of entities eligible under the bill and the fact that eligibility to obtain a special event permit allows entities to obtain donations of alcohol for events held at a licensed retailer, the fiscal note assumes that any increase is minimal.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on March 20, 2017, and takes effect August 9, 2017, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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