



FREDERICK COUNTY COUNCIL

Local Government Fiscal and Policy Note

CONTACT INFORMATION AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Bill Number/Reference:	18-24
Bill Title:	Farm-based Craft Beverage Promotional Events
Local Government Agency:	Frederick County Divisions of Finance, Planning & Permitting
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Date Submitted:	

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Date: <p>Please respond to the questions below. If you prefer to provide responses or additional information in a separate file or document, send the file or document in a separate e-mail to rcherney@frederickcountymd.gov with the bill number/reference in the subject line.</p>	
1.	Describe the impact of this proposed legislation on your agency (operations, revenues, expenditures, etc). If there is no impact, please explain why.
<p>This bill will allow certain farm-based craft beverage promotional events as Agritourism Enterprises. The legislation includes a new definition for Agritourism Enterprise – Farm-Based Craft Beverage Promotional Events. This definition recognizes the activities that are accessory to the normal and customary agricultural use of the property and the requirements and restrictions related to these events. A one-time zoning certificate is required and penalties for violation of the restrictions may be imposed in accordance with §1-1-9 of the County Code.</p> <p>The Division of Planning & Permitting believes existing staff will be sufficient to address any issues that may arise from the adoption of this bill. While there may be additional permits, reviews, and approvals, they anticipate being able to accommodate any increases in activity with current staffing levels.</p> <p>Any impact to the Frederick County Sheriff's Office would most likely be in the form of noise and traffic control. The Sheriff will most likely add duties for noise/traffic control to existing staff or perhaps reassign current or future staff based on fluctuating activity levels.</p> <p>There is the potential for future cost increases from the purchase of additional noise level monitors and noise/traffic control training for staff. There is also the possibility that the Sheriff would need to hire an additional Deputy or two to accommodate anticipated increased activity resulting from the adoption of this Bill.</p>	
2.	Please indicate whether the proposed legislation will affect small businesses in Frederick County, and if it will, please provide any information you may have which could be useful in determining the economic impact on small businesses.
<p>Small farm businesses could see a positive economic impact as a result of this legislation as it will allow them to conduct farm-based craft beverage educational and promotional events as accessory to the normal agricultural use of their property.</p>	
FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY – SHOW (DECREASE) IN PARENTHESES	
<u>REVENUES</u>	
3.	Analysis of estimated increase (or decrease) in government revenues . Please estimate below any anticipated increase (or decrease) in revenues resulting from this legislation. Please be aware of any delayed effective dates in the bill or other factors that may cause revenue increases/decreases to begin in later years.
<u>Source</u>	
<u>FY 2019</u>	
<u>FY 2020</u>	
<u>FY 2021</u>	
<u>FY 2022</u>	
<u>FY 2023</u>	
N/A	
<u>TOTAL \$</u>	
\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	
Please explain how the above estimated increase(s) or decrease(s) were arrived at, including any calculations and/or assumptions made. Please also explain any variation if the revenue increase(s)/decrease(s) are not constant.	
N/A - It is anticipated that this legislation will result in a negligible increase to County revenue.	

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<u>EXPENDITURES</u>						
4.	Analysis of estimated increase (or decrease) in government expenditures . Please estimate below any anticipated increase (or decrease) in expenditures resulting from this legislation. Please be aware of any delayed effective dates in the bill or other factors that may cause expenditure increases/decreases to begin in later years.					
A. Salaries & Wages		FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
FTE Employees - _____ # of positions Fringe Benefits						
TOTAL (Salaries, wages & benefits)		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
N/A	Please provide an explanation of the need for the number and type of any personnel listed above, including (1) what specific provision(s) of the bill necessitate additional staff; (2) what the duties of each type employee will be; and (3) why existing personnel cannot absorb the additional work. Please also certify the wage/salary rate and % fringe rate (if differing rates apply) for each personnel classification.					
B. Other Operating Expenses		FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Technical/Special Fees, Grants/Subsidies Communications-Phone, Postage Travel, Food, Auto, Fuel & Utilities Contractual Services Supplies Equipment-Replacement Equipment-Additional Land & Structures, Fixed Charges Other (Please Specify on Extra Page(s))						
TOTAL (Expenditures)		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	On the next page, please provide brief descriptions/breakdowns of the above “Other Operating Expenses.”					
	Please explain below any additional calculations or assumptions made in estimating the “Other Operating Expenses” that will help us to understand the amounts and timing of the expenses.					
N/A – It is not anticipated that budgeted operating expenses will be affected by this legislation immediately. The Sheriff's Office will monitor the impact of this bill on the activity levels for both noise and traffic concerns. There is a potential for the need to hire an additional Deputy or two in the future if there is a significant increase in activity.						

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4. (cont'd)

C. Operating Expense Descriptions/Breakdowns

Please provide below a short description of the specific purpose of each expense listed under 4B. If any amount(s) listed under 4B represent(s) a total of multiple expenses, provide a breakdown of the fiscal 2018 amount with a short description of each expense (for example, if \$2,500 is listed for Communications – Phone, Postage, a statement such as “\$1,500 for cellphone charges for two new inspectors and \$1,000 for postage for mailings to permittees to notify them of changes to inspection requirements.”)

Fiscal 2019 Expenditures

Technical/Special Fees, Grants & Subsidies description/breakdown	\$
Communications – Phone, Postage description/breakdown	\$
Travel, Food, Auto Operations, Fuel & Utilities description/breakdown	\$
Contractual Services description/breakdown	\$
Supplies description/breakdown	\$
Equipment-Replacement description/breakdown	\$
Equipment-Additional description/breakdown	\$
Land & Structures, Fixed Charges description/breakdown	\$
Other (Please Specify) description/breakdown	\$

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ADDITIONAL POLICY IMPLICATIONS/CONCERNS

Please submit BY E-MAIL to: Ragen Cherney, Legislative Director/Chief of Staff
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