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TO: Honorable Troy Fraser, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB538 by Estes (Relating to the amount of wine certain wineries may sell directly to consumers.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Alcoholic Beverage Code, Section 16.01 to allow holders of a winery permit to sell up to 55,000 gallons of wine annually to ultimate consumers. The bill would also prevent holders of out-of-state winery direct shipper's permits from selling more than 55,000 gallons of wine annually to ultimate consumers. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission states there would be no costs to the agency to implement the provisions of the bill.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 458 Alcoholic Beverage Commission

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