

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
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TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2098 by Geren (Relating to allowing certain wholesalers and distributors to purchase beer, ale, and malt liquor from the holder of a brewpub license.), **As Passed 2nd House**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Alcoholic Beverage Code to allow the holder of a wholesaler's or local class B wholesaler's permit to purchase ale and malt liquor from holders of brewpub licenses. The bill would also authorize the holder of a brewpub license to sell ale and malt liquor to qualified wholesalers or other similarly situated entities outside the state. The bill would also authorize the holder of a local distributor's license to receive beer from brewpubs and to sell and distribute beer to certain permit or license holders or to other distributors. It is assumed that any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house. Otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

According to the Texas Municipal League, no fiscal implication to municipalities is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 458 Alcoholic Beverage Commission

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