



FREDERICK COUNTY COUNCIL

Local Government Fiscal Estimate of Legislation

CONTACT INFORMATION AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Bill Number/Reference:	17-04
Bill Title:	Farm Distilleries and Tasting Rooms, and Limited Farm Brewery, Distillery and Winery Tasting Rooms
Local Government Agency:	Frederick County Divisions of Finance, Planning & Permitting
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Date Submitted:	

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Date:

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.

1.	Describe the impact of this proposed legislation on your agency (operations, revenues, expenditures, etc). If there is no impact, <u>please explain why</u> .
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This bill will allow farm distilleries, farm distillery tasting rooms, and limited tasting rooms for farm breweries, wineries, and distilleries in the Agriculture and Resource Conservation zoning districts.

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 plan reviews, Board of Appeals reports and inspections, they anticipate being able to accommodate any increases in activity with current staffing levels.

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.
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This legislation should have a positive impact on small businesses by creating opportunities to locate distilleries in the Agriculture and Resource Conservation Zoning Districts. The bill establishes reasonable parameters, reduces regulatory burden, and eliminates the need for a site plan on startup tasting rooms meeting the square footage threshold.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY – SHOW (DECREASE) IN PARENTHESES

REVENUES

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.
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Source	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
N/A- It is anticipated that this legislation will result in a negligible increase to revenue					

TOTAL \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	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.				

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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 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
FTE Employees - _____ # of positions Fringe Benefits N/A – It is not anticipated that additional staff will be required by this legislation						
TOTAL (Salaries, wages & benefits)		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
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))						
N/A – It is not anticipated that budgeted operating expenses will be affected by this legislation.						
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.						

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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 2016 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 2017 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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