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LB 869

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *						
	FY 2010-11		FY 2011-12			
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE		
GENERAL FUNDS		\$221,585		\$221,585		
CASH FUNDS						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUNDS						
TOTAL FUNDS		\$221,585		\$221,585		

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 869 would amend several sections of the Nebraska Liquor Control Act dealing with application, renewal and registration fees.

The bill would amend Section 53-123.12, which refers to farm winery licenses, to change language from a "state registration" fee to a "nonrefundable application" fee and increase the amount paid to the Liquor Control Commission from \$45 to \$500 and, when renewing a farm winery license, pay the current license fee of \$250 and the \$45 renewal fee.

Section 53-124.11 is amended to change language referring to "registration fee" to "application or renewal fee".

Sections 53-129 and 53-135 are amended to change language referring to "state registration" fee to "renewal" fee.

Section 53-130, which applies to new licenses for manufacturers, wholesalers, railroads, airlines, boats, and nonbeverage users of alcoholic liquor, is amended to change language referring to "state registration" fee to either "nonrefundable application" fee or "renewal" fee. The section is also amended to increase what would now be referred to as the "nonrefundable application fee" from the current \$45 to \$500 and would also provide for the current \$45 renewal fee for these licenses.

Section 53-131, which applies to new licenses to sell liquor at retail, craft brewery license, and microdistillery license, is amended to change language from "state registration" fee to "nonrefundable application" fee; increases what would now be referred to as the "nonrefundable application" fee from the current \$45 to \$500; and would also provide for the current \$45 renewal fee for these licenses.

Section 53-138.01 is amended to provide that the amount of the application fee that is credited to the General Fund is \$495 with the remaining \$5 credited to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission Rule and Regulation Cash Fund, and continue to credit \$40 of the renewal fee to the General Fund with the remaining \$5 credited to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission Rule and Regulation Cash Fund.

The Liquor Control Commission estimates an increase in revenue to the General Fund of \$221,585 per fiscal year based on 487 new applications per year. There is no basis to disagree with the Commission's estimate of fiscal impact.

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COMMENTS						
LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION: Estimate of revenue impact appears reasonable.						