

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes, as a conditional use on lands zoned for exclusive farm use, siting of facility for storage of aerial display fireworks by holder of permit issued by the State Fire Marshal. Prohibits storage of aerial display fireworks without a permit from the State Fire Marshal. Authorizes the State Fire Marshal to regulate storage of aerial display fireworks.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Safety concerns
- Permitted uses in exclusive farm use zones
- Number of acres of exclusive farm use land
- Sites on industrial land for storage of fireworks

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Prohibits storage of aerial display fireworks without a permit from the State Fire Marshal. Exempts a business that has been in continuous operation at its current location since December 31, 1986 and possesses a wholesaler's permit to sell or provide fireworks.

BACKGROUND: The 2003 Legislative Assembly approved Senate Bill 667 which allows for federally licensed firework manufacturers to store fireworks in state approved magazines on land zoned for exclusive farm use. However, as the bill was written, it applies to only one business. Senate Bill 1051A allows for, with a permit from the State Fire Marshal, siting of a facility on exclusive farm use land for the storage of aerial display fireworks.