

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Atkinson, Boquist, Hass, Prozanski, Dingfelder

Nays: 0

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 2/9, 2/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes wineries as outright permitted use in exclusive farm use zone (EFU) under specified conditions. Authorizes such wineries to sell wines produced in conjunction with the winery, and items and services directly related to sale and promotion of wine produced in conjunction with the winery that are incidental to retail sale of wine on-site. Limits gross income from sale of incidental items and services to not more than 25 percent of gross income from on-site retail sale of wine produced in conjunction with the winery. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Interest in comprehensive review of land uses in EFU zones
- Types of services offered by wineries
- Recent enforcement actions

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Deletes authority for local government to allow establishment of winery or for a winery to sell or deliver other items or services under criteria for commercial activity in conjunction with farm use in EFU zones.

BACKGROUND: Exclusive farm use zoning is applied by counties to lands they have designated for agricultural use. The EFU statute permits a wide range of uses. The law authorizes the establishment of wineries that meet particular criteria in EFU zones. Senate Bill 1055A would authorize such wineries as outright permitted uses in EFU zones and limit gross income from the sale of incidental items and services to not more than 25 percent of gross income.