

HB 3344 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Riley

Senate Committee On Labor and Business

Action Date: 05/13/21

Action: Do pass the A-Eng bill.

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Hansell, Jama, Kennemer, Lieber, Riley

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: Has minimal revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 5/4, 5/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires agent appointed by Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) to make deposits equal to average daily gross receipts from retail sales and report average daily gross receipts on monthly basis.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Current practice of requiring weekly deposits
- Benefits of giving agents greater flexibility with monthly deposits

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) oversees the sale of alcoholic beverages and recreational marijuana to allow access to responsible adults while protecting Oregon's public health, safety, and community livability. The OLCC sells distilled spirits through 282 licensed liquor stores and is currently taking applications for up to eight new locations.

Current law specifies that moneys from the retail sale of distilled liquor that are being held by a retail sales agent or a distillery retail outlet agent are not subject to the general deposit requirements for public funds if the agent maintains an amount on deposit with the OLCC not less than the average daily gross receipts from the agent's retail sales. OLCC has discretion to establish a higher amount than the average daily gross receipts of a retail agent.

House Bill 3344 A requires the amount of the deposit to the OLCC by a retail sales agent equal the average daily gross receipts from the retail sales of distilled liquor by the agent, and requires agents to make deposits to the OLCC and report average daily gross receipts to the OLCC on a monthly basis.