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Research Analysis

The policy amendment to the proposed policy committee substitute for HB 2369 adds that alcoholic beverages on the event venue premises must be served by licensed caterers or event bartenders, not just beer and wine.

HB 2369 creates the "Marissa Murrow Act." The measure adds a definition of *event venue* and creates a \$50 event bartender license. Alcoholic beverages served on the premises of an event venue must be served by an ABLE licensed caterer or event bartender licensee. No later than 14 days after initial licensure, the event bartender licensee will be required to successfully complete an in-person training program conducted by an ABLE approved entity. Proof of training completion will be made available for inspection at the event venue location. The failure of an event bartender to comply with this section may constitute a revocable offense.

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Fiscal Analysis

The amendment to the proposed committee substitute to HB 2369 creates the Marissa Murrow Act, requiring bartenders to obtain a separate license, an Event Bartender License, to serve alcoholic beverages at an event venue. The Event Bartender License is Fifty Dollars (\$50) annually and will be issued by the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverages Laws Enforcement (ABLE) Commission. The measure also requires the event bartender to complete an in-person training within fourteen (14) days of initial licensure.

The ABLE Commission will incur programming fees to update its software to include the new license. While the ABLE Commission was unable to provide an estimate for the programming fees, the agency stated it is likely they could cover a portion of the costs. Depending on the actual costs, the measure may require additional appropriation. However, since these license fees are deposited into the General Revenue Fund and are not directly captured within the agency's budget for operations, the increase in state revenue will likely result in the measure having a neutral impact on the overall state budget.

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Other Considerations

None.

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