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**SB 19-141**

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

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| <b>Drafting Number:</b> | LLS 19-0861                  | <b>Date:</b>           | July 8, 2019  |
| <b>Prime Sponsors:</b>  | Sen. Donovan<br>Rep. Roberts | <b>Bill Status:</b>    | Signed into Law   |
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**Bill Topic:** ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS COUNTIES OPTIONAL PREMISES

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**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue     | <input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer    | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity     |

This bill allows county governments to authorize an entertainment district and expands the types of licenses within an entertainment district that can serve alcohol to include optional premises licenses. The bill increases workload, revenue, and expenditures for local governments.

**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required.

**Fiscal Note Status:** The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

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## Summary of Legislation

Under current law, a municipality is allowed to form an entertainment district that may include certain liquor licensed premises, such as a licensed tavern, brew pub, or hotel and restaurant, as part of a common alcohol consumption area. This bill allows a county to form an entertainment district and expands the types of premises to include optional premises licenses as approved by a local licensing authority.

## Background

An optional premises license allows an outdoor sports and recreational facility to sell alcohol by the drink only to customers for consumption on the licensed optional premises.

## Local Government Impact

The bill will increase workload for county governments to review new applications for entertainment districts within the unincorporated areas of counties. It could also increase the workload of municipalities to review applications for new optional premises to be included in an entertainment district. Because local authorities are allowed to charge a fee to recover the costs of processing these applications, the revenue to local governments will also increase by minimal amounts.

**Effective Date**

This bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 17, 2019, and takes effect August 2, 2019, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Counties      Municipalities      Revenue      Special Districts