



**149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FEE IMPACT**

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**BILL:** HOUSE BILL NO. 158  
**SPONSOR:** Representative Keeley  
**DESCRIPTION:** AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 4 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.

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In accordance with 29 Del. C. §913, the following information is provided relating to licenses and fees.

Description of the Legislation

This Act defines beer gardens as outdoor venues that operate at least 5 months of each year and are independent of any other licensed establishment. This Act states that a beer garden must employ a daily average of no less than 25 full time employees and may sell beer, wine and spirits by the glass or bottle. This Act also implements a new type of liquor license for beer gardens.

Affected Entities

This Act would affect existing venues that meet the criteria for beer gardens as well as any newly proposed establishments wishing to do the same.

Fiscal Impact Estimate

This Act would require a one-time application fee of \$1,000 and thereafter a \$2,000 biennial license fee. The Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner anticipates no more than 5 licensees for annual state revenue totaling \$5,000.

Intended Use of Revenue

The revenue generated from the biennial license fee would be deposited into the State's General Fund.

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