

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Legislative Fiscal Note

Short Title: Warren County Occupancy Tax. **Bill Number:** House Bill 69 (Second Edition)

Sponsor(s): Rep. Wray

SUMMARY TABLE

FISCAL IMPACT OF H.B.69. V.2

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
Local Impact Local Revenue Less Local Expenditures	49,000 	51,000 <u>-</u>	53,000 <u>-</u>	54,000 <u>-</u>	56,000 <u>-</u>
NET LOCAL IMPACT	49,000	51,000	53,000	54,000	56,000

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY

House Bill 69 would authorize Warren County to levy a 5% room occupancy tax. At least two-thirds of the proceeds would have to be used for tourism promotion and the remainder for tourism-related expenditures.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

The North Carolina Department of Commerce reports approximately \$770,000 in annual sales from businesses in the Traveler Accommodation and Recreational Vehicle Park NAICS industry groups located in Warren County. Assuming these annual sales are primarily made up of room and campground rentals, it's estimated that Warren County would collect \$49,000 in FY 2023-24 room occupancy tax collections at a 5% rate.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Warren County staff report there is a proposal for a 70-room hotel to be constructed along Interstate 85. Because it is uncertain if and when this would be completed, any potential revenues from this hotel are not included in the estimate.

DATA SOURCES

Moody's Analytics; N.C. Department of Commerce; Warren County, NC.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE - PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS

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