

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

LS 6361
BILL NUMBER: SB 5

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 12, 2026
BILL AMENDED: Feb 10, 2026

SUBJECT: Suspension of Permit.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Alting
FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Steuerwald

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 2nd House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC) to refuse to grant or renew or to suspend or revoke a retailer's permit if a licensed premises becomes a public nuisance or the scene of certain acts or prohibited conduct.

The bill allows the chairman of the ATC to temporarily suspend an alcoholic beverage retail permit if all of the following apply:

- (1) The chairman has a reasonable belief that a felony has been committed on the licensed premises.
- (2) The permit holder failed to take reasonable action to prevent the occurrence of a crime.
- (3) Multiple crimes or violations have occurred on the licensed premises in the last 12 months.
- (4) The continued operation of the licensed premises would pose a clear and immediate danger to the safety of the surrounding community or general public.

The bill also requires the ATC to: (1) provide immediate notice to the permit holder of a factual basis for the suspension and the time and place of a hearing on the suspension; and (2) hold the hearing not later than three business days after the permit is suspended.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill could increase workload for the ATC to make certain considerations for retailer permittee qualifications and to the extent that the ATC's chairman would suspend a permit due to the circumstances listed in the bill. This workload increase should be done within current resources.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Alcohol and Tobacco Commission.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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