

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2023 Session

Legislative Fiscal Note

Short Title: St. James Occupancy Tax Authorization.

Bill Number: House Bill 80 (First Edition)

Sponsor(s): Rep. Miller

SUMMARY TABLE

FISCAL IMPACT OF H.B.80, V.1

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
Local Impact Local Revenue Less Local Expenditures	33,000	35,000 	36,000 	37,000 	38,000
NET LOCAL IMPACT	\$33,000	\$35,000	\$36,000	\$37,000	\$38,000

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY

House Bill 80 would authorize the town of St. James 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

St. James town staff report there are no hotels, motels, or inns within town limits. They reported there are 23 properties rented through short-term rental platforms (e.g., Airbnb, VRBO, etc.) in the town, but the number of rooms per property is uncertain. Assuming one room per property, it is estimated that the town would collect \$33,000 in Fiscal Year 2023-24 room occupancy tax collections at a 5% rate.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A.

DATA SOURCES

MOODY'S ANALYTICS; TOWN OF ST. JAMES.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE - PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS

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