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HOUSE BILL 1413

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1 AN ACT Relating to liquor liability insurance; adding a new section  
2 to chapter 66.28 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.30 RCW; and  
3 prescribing penalties.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 66.28 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) No person may engage in the retail sale of liquor by the drink  
8 in this state unless the person is insured under a liquor liability  
9 policy issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in this  
10 state with liability limits of at least one hundred thousand dollars  
11 per person per occurrence and one million dollars aggregate per  
12 occurrence.

13 (2) Every person licensed to sell liquor in this state shall  
14 furnish written proof of adequate insurance as required by subsection  
15 (1) of this section to the board. Upon proof of adequate insurance,  
16 the board shall issue a certificate, which shall be posted in a  
17 conspicuous place on the premises.

18 (3) The liquor liability policy shall at a minimum cover any legal  
19 liability arising out of the service or sale of liquor.

1 (4) Any person who:

2 (a) Fails to obtain and keep current the insurance coverage  
3 required by this section;

4 (b) Fails to post a current certificate as required by this  
5 section; or

6 (c) Knowingly provides false evidence of insurance coverage to a  
7 law enforcement officer or to a court, including an expired or canceled  
8 insurance policy;

9 is guilty of a misdemeanor.

10 (5) Failure to comply with the provisions of this section shall  
11 result in license revocation by the board.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 48.30 RCW  
13 to read as follows:

14 No insurer may issue a liability insurance policy to any retail  
15 seller of liquor by the drink, unless the policy at a minimum provides  
16 coverage for any legal liability arising out of the service or sale of  
17 liquor with liability limits of at least one hundred thousand dollars  
18 per person per occurrence and one million dollars aggregate per  
19 occurrence.

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