

1 **SHB 2325** - H AMD

2 By Representative Wood

3 On page 2, beginning on line 1, strike all of section 2 and insert
4 the following: "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to
5 chapter 69.80 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Except as expressly prohibited by rule of the state board of
7 health, a donor may donate food in either raw, cooked, processed, or
8 prepared edible form, free of charge, to a distributing organization,
9 including charitable nonprofit organizations, or to the public, for the
10 purpose of serving needy people if the donor and recipient organization
11 comply with health and safety guidelines developed by the state board
12 of health.

13 (2) If a local board of health adopts a rule concerning charitable
14 food donation more stringent than the state board of health food rule,
15 the local board of health shall first provide notice to the public and
16 written notice to cities, towns and counties within its jurisdiction
17 prior to the public hearing to consider the rule. The local board of
18 health shall also provide notice to known charitable organizations.

19 (3) The state board of health shall promulgate recommended health
20 and safety guidelines for the donation, preparation, and distribution
21 of free food for the purpose of this chapter.

22 (4) The health and safety guidelines promulgated for food shall
23 address potlucks where the public is invited."

EFFECT: Allows food donation unless expressly prohibited by state Board of Health rule. Eliminates the requirement for a local health board rule authorizing donation and the requirement for ratification of the local health board rule by each county and city legislative authority within the health board's jurisdiction. Allows a local health board to adopt a more stringent food donation rule after public notice and written notice to local legislative authorities and known charitable organizations.