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## SENATE BILL 6395

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By Senators Rasmussen, Winsley, Hewitt, Gardner, Honeyford, Prentice, Haugen, Regala, Hochstatter, McAuliffe and Hale

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the merchandising of beer and wine by employees
- 2 between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one on or about a licensee's
- 3 premises; and amending RCW 66.44.318.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.44.318 and 1995 c 100 s 2 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 Licensees holding nonretail class liquor licenses are permitted to
- 8 allow their employees between ((<del>[the]</del>)) the ages of eighteen and
- 9 twenty-one to stock, merchandise, and handle beer or wine on or about
- 10 the nonretail premises if there is an adult twenty-one years of age or
- 11 older on duty supervising such activities on the premises, and
- 12 licensees holding grocery store or beer and/or wine specialty shop
- 13 licenses exclusively are permitted to allow employees of the nonretail
- 14 class liquor licensee between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one to
- 15 stock, merchandise, or handle beer or wine on or about the retail
- 16 licensee's premises as long as there is an adult twenty-one years of
- 17 age or older, employed by the retail licensee, present at the retail
- 18 <u>licensee's premises during these activities.</u> However, except as
- 19 provided in this section, nothing shall be construed to permit a

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nonretail licensee's employee between the ages of eighteen and twenty-1 one to handle, transport, or otherwise possess beer or wine beyond the 2 premises of the retail licensee and any act or omission of the 3 4 nonretail licensee's employee occurring at or about the retail licensee's premises, which violates any provision of this title, is the 5 sole responsibility of the nonretail licensee employer. Nothing in 6 this section absolves the retail licensee from responsibility for the 7 8 acts or omissions of its own employees which violate any provision of this title.

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