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1 On page 1, beginning on line 3 of the amendment, strike all 2 material through "act." on line 20 and insert the following:

""NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 7.72 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Any manufacturer, packer, distributor, carrier, holder, marketer, or seller of a food or nonalcoholic beverage intended for human consumption, or an association of one or more such entities, shall not be subject to civil liability in an action brought by a private party based on an individual's purchase or consumption of food or nonalcoholic beverages in cases where liability is premised upon the individual's weight gain, obesity, or a health condition associated with the individual's weight gain or obesity and resulting from the individual's long-term purchase or consumption of a food or nonalcoholic beverage.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, the term "long-term consumption" means the cumulative effect of the consumption of food or nonalcoholic beverages, and not the effect of a single instance of consumption.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act may be cited as the commonsense 20 consumption act."

EFFECT: Provides that the immunity applies to actions by a private party, instead of actions for personal injury or wrongful death; Precludes actions based on the long-term purchase of food or nonalcoholic beverages (in addition to long-term consumption).