

SSB 6601 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Judiciary

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

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

5 (1) Any manufacturer, packer, distributor, carrier, holder,
6 marketer, or seller of a food or nonalcoholic beverage intended for
7 human consumption, or an association of one or more such entities,
8 shall not be subject to civil liability for personal injury or
9 wrongful death based on an individual's consumption of food or
10 nonalcoholic beverages in cases where liability is premised upon
11 the individual's weight gain, obesity, or a health condition
12 related to the individual's weight gain or obesity and resulting
13 from the individual's long-term consumption of a food or
14 nonalcoholic beverage.

15 (2) For the purposes of this section, the term "long-term
16 consumption" means the cumulative effect of the consumption of food
17 or nonalcoholic beverages, and not the effect of a single instance
18 of consumption.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act may be cited as the commonsense
20 consumption act."

EFFECT: Replaces SSB 6601 with provisions barring personal
injury or wrongful death suits for claims arising out of an
individual's weight gain, obesity, or a health condition
related to an individual's weight gain or obesity and resulting
from the individual's long-term consumption of a food.
Advertisers are no longer included in the list of possible

defendants exempted from liability. "Food" no longer includes alcoholic beverages or animal feed.