FINAL BILL REPORT ESB 6737

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Changing provisions relating to distribution of liquor.

Sponsors: Senators Hewitt and Honeyford.

Senate Committee on Commerce & Trade House Committee on Commerce & Labor

Background: Beer and wine price postings are open for inspection to all trade buyers in the state of Washington. The postings are not considered confidential information. No price can be posted that is below the cost to acquire the beer or wine plus 10 percent.

Summary: Future beer and wine price postings are considered "investigative information" and are not subject to public disclosure prior to their effective date. The Liquor Control Board must review the postings to ensure that buyers are adhering to the rule that no beer or wine prices can be posted that are below the cost to acquire the beer or wine plus 10 percent.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 47 0

House 96 0 (House amended) Senate 45 0 (Senate concurred)

Effective: March 31, 2004

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