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SENATE BILL 6199

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By Senators Rockefeller and Kohl-Welles

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Commerce, Research & Development.

1 AN ACT Relating to sports entertainment facility liquor licenses;  
2 and amending RCW 66.24.570.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.570 and 2003 c 345 s 3 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1)(a) There is a license for sports entertainment facilities to be  
7 designated as a sports/entertainment facility license to sell beer,  
8 wine, and spirits at retail, for consumption upon the premises only,  
9 the license to be issued to the entity providing food and beverage  
10 service at a sports entertainment facility as defined in this section.  
11 Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the cost of the license  
12 is two thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

13 (b) The cost for a license under this section that is issued to the  
14 entity providing food and beverage service for a small public or  
15 private sports entertainment facility in which baseball is played and  
16 which seats fewer than five thousand persons and is operational for no  
17 more than three months per year is three hundred fifty dollars per  
18 annum.

1 (2) For purposes of this section, a sports entertainment facility  
2 includes a publicly or privately owned arena, coliseum, stadium, or  
3 facility where sporting events are presented for a price of admission.  
4 The facility does not have to be exclusively used for sporting events.

5 (3) The board may impose reasonable requirements upon a licensee  
6 under this section, such as requirements for the availability of food  
7 and victuals including but not limited to hamburgers, sandwiches,  
8 salads, or other snack food. The board may also restrict the type of  
9 events at a sports entertainment facility at which beer, wine, and  
10 spirits may be served. When imposing conditions for a licensee, the  
11 board must consider the seating accommodations, eating facilities, and  
12 circulation patterns in such a facility, and other amenities available  
13 at a sports entertainment facility.

14 (4)(a) The board may issue a caterer's endorsement to the license  
15 under this section to allow the licensee to remove from the liquor  
16 stocks at the licensed premises, for use as liquor for sale and service  
17 at event locations at a specified date and place not currently licensed  
18 by the board. If the event is open to the public, it must be sponsored  
19 by a society or organization as defined by RCW 66.24.375. If  
20 attendance at the event is limited to members or invited guests of the  
21 sponsoring individual, society, or organization, the requirement that  
22 the sponsor must be a society or organization as defined by RCW  
23 66.24.375 is waived. Cost of the endorsement is three hundred fifty  
24 dollars.

25 (b) The holder of this license with catering endorsement shall, if  
26 requested by the board, notify the board or its designee of the date,  
27 time, place, and location of any catered event. Upon request, the  
28 licensee shall provide to the board all necessary or requested  
29 information concerning the society or organization that will be holding  
30 the function at which the endorsed license will be utilized.

31 (5) The board may issue an endorsement to the beer, wine, and  
32 spirits sports/entertainment facility license that allows the holder of  
33 a beer, wine, and spirits sports/entertainment facility license to sell  
34 for off-premises consumption wine vinted and bottled in the state of  
35 Washington and carrying a label exclusive to the license holder selling  
36 the wine. Spirits and beer may not be sold for off-premises

1 consumption under this section. The annual fee for the endorsement  
2 under this section is one hundred twenty dollars.

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