
HOUSE BILL 1349

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1 AN ACT Relating to sale by spirit, beer, and wine licensees of malt
2 liquor in containers that are capable of holding four gallons or more
3 and are registered in accordance with RCW 66.28.200; and amending RCW
4 66.24.400, 66.28.200, and 66.28.220.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.400 and 2005 c 152 s 2 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) There shall be a retailer's license, to be known and designated
9 as a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license, to sell spirituous
10 liquor by the individual glass, beer, and wine, at retail, for
11 consumption on the premises, including mixed drinks and cocktails
12 compounded or mixed on the premises only(~~:+—PROVIDED,—That~~)).
13 However, a hotel, or club licensed under chapter 70.62 RCW with
14 overnight sleeping accommodations, that is licensed under this section
15 may sell liquor by the bottle to registered guests of the hotel or club
16 for consumption in guest rooms, hospitality rooms, or at banquets in
17 the hotel or club(~~:+—PROVIDED—FURTHER,—That~~)). A patron of a bona
18 fide hotel, restaurant, or club licensed under this section may remove
19 from the premises recorked or recapped in its original container any

1 portion of wine which was purchased for consumption with a meal, and
2 registered guests who have purchased liquor from the hotel or club by
3 the bottle may remove from the premises any unused portion of such
4 liquor in its original container. Such license may be issued only to
5 bona fide restaurants, hotels and clubs, and to dining, club and buffet
6 cars on passenger trains, and to dining places on passenger boats and
7 airplanes, and to dining places at civic centers with facilities for
8 sports, entertainment, and conventions, and to such other
9 establishments operated and maintained primarily for the benefit of
10 tourists, vacationers and travelers as the board shall determine are
11 qualified to have, and in the discretion of the board should have, a
12 spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license under the provisions and
13 limitations of this title.

14 (2) The board may issue an endorsement to the spirits, beer, and
15 wine restaurant license that allows the holder of a spirits, beer, and
16 wine restaurant license to sell for off-premises consumption wine
17 vinted and bottled in the state of Washington and carrying a label
18 exclusive to the license holder selling the wine. Spirits and beer may
19 not be sold for off-premises consumption under this section, except as
20 provided in subsection (4) of this section. The annual fee for the
21 endorsement under this subsection is one hundred twenty dollars.

22 (3) The holder of a spirits, beer, and wine license or its manager
23 may furnish beer, wine, or spirituous liquor to the licensee's
24 employees free of charge as may be required for use in connection with
25 instruction on beer, wine, or spirituous liquor. The instruction may
26 include the history, nature, values, and characteristics of beer, wine,
27 or spirituous liquor, the use of wine lists, and the methods of
28 presenting, serving, storing, and handling beer, wine, and spirituous
29 liquor. The spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee must use the
30 beer, wine, or spirituous liquor it obtains under its license for the
31 sampling as part of the instruction. The instruction must be given on
32 the premises of the spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee.

33 (4) The board may issue an endorsement to the spirits, beer, and
34 wine restaurant license that allows the holder of a spirits, beer, and
35 wine restaurant license to sell for off-premises consumption malt
36 liquor in kegs or other containers that are capable of holding four
37 gallons or more of liquid and are registered in accordance with RCW

1 66.28.200. The annual fee for the endorsement under this subsection is
2 one hundred twenty dollars.

3 **Sec. 2.** RCW 66.28.200 and 2003 c 53 s 296 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) Licensees holding a beer and/or wine restaurant or a tavern
6 license in combination with an off-premises beer and wine retailer's
7 license or licensees holding a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant
8 license with an endorsement issued under RCW 66.24.400(4) may sell malt
9 liquor in kegs or other containers capable of holding four gallons or
10 more of liquid. Under a special endorsement from the board, a grocery
11 store licensee may sell malt liquor in containers no larger than five
12 and one-half gallons. The sale of any container holding four gallons
13 or more must comply with the provisions of this section and RCW
14 66.28.210 through 66.28.240.

15 (2) Any person who sells or offers for sale the contents of kegs or
16 other containers containing four gallons or more of malt liquor, or
17 leases kegs or other containers that will hold four gallons of malt
18 liquor, to consumers who are not licensed under chapter 66.24 RCW shall
19 do the following for any transaction involving the container:

20 (a) Require the purchaser of the malt liquor to sign a declaration
21 and receipt for the keg or other container or beverage in substantially
22 the form provided in RCW 66.28.220;

23 (b) Require the purchaser to provide one piece of identification
24 pursuant to RCW 66.16.040;

25 (c) Require the purchaser to sign a sworn statement, under penalty
26 of perjury, that:

27 (i) The purchaser is of legal age to purchase, possess, or use malt
28 liquor;

29 (ii) The purchaser will not allow any person under the age of
30 twenty-one years to consume the beverage except as provided by RCW
31 66.44.270;

32 (iii) The purchaser will not remove, obliterate, or allow to be
33 removed or obliterated, the identification required under RCW 66.28.220
34 to be affixed to the container;

35 (d) Require the purchaser to state the particular address where the
36 malt liquor will be consumed, or the particular address where the keg
37 or other container will be physically located; and

1 (e) Require the purchaser to maintain a copy of the declaration and
2 receipt next to or adjacent to the keg or other container, in no event
3 a distance greater than five feet, and visible without a physical
4 barrier from the keg, during the time that the keg or other container
5 is in the purchaser's possession or control.

6 (3) A violation of this section is a gross misdemeanor.

7 **Sec. 3.** RCW 66.28.220 and 2003 c 53 s 298 are each amended to read
8 as follows:

9 (1) The board shall adopt rules requiring retail licensees to affix
10 appropriate identification on all containers of four gallons or more of
11 malt liquor for the purpose of tracing the purchasers of such
12 containers. The rules may provide for identification to be done on a
13 statewide basis or on the basis of smaller geographical areas.

14 (2) The board shall develop and make available forms for the
15 declaration and receipt required by RCW 66.28.200. The board may
16 charge spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees with an endorsement
17 issued under RCW 66.24.400(4) and grocery store licensees for the costs
18 of providing the forms and that money collected for the forms shall be
19 deposited into the liquor revolving fund for use by the board, without
20 further appropriation, to continue to administer the cost of the keg
21 registration program.

22 (3) It is unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale kegs or
23 other containers containing four gallons or more of malt liquor to
24 consumers who are not licensed under chapter 66.24 RCW if the kegs or
25 containers are not identified in compliance with rules adopted by the
26 board.

27 (4) A violation of this section is a gross misdemeanor.

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