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1 AN ACT Relating to the sale of light-emitting diode holiday lights;
2 amending RCW 19.260.020, 19.260.030, 19.260.040, and 19.260.050; and
3 creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds and declares that
6 meeting the state's future energy needs through conservation efforts,
7 both large and small, is a priority. Small changes on the part of
8 Washington consumers, such as switching from conventional, incandescent
9 holiday lights to light-emitting diode holiday lights, has the
10 potential to save hundreds of kilowatts of electricity each holiday
11 season.

12 The legislature further finds that light-emitting diode holiday
13 lights are more efficient, last longer, emit less heat, and draw less
14 current than conventional incandescent holiday lights, which makes them
15 a safer and more cost-effective option for use in the home. Therefore,
16 it is the intent of the legislature to encourage its citizens to
17 participate in cost-effective energy conservation by establishing
18 efficiency standards for holiday lights sold in the state.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 19.260.020 and 2006 c 194 s 1 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter
4 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

5 (1) "Automatic commercial ice cube machine" means a factory-made
6 assembly, not necessarily shipped in one package, consisting of a
7 condensing unit and ice-making section operating as an integrated unit
8 with means for making and harvesting ice cubes. It may also include
9 integrated components for storing or dispensing ice, or both.

10 (2) "Ballast" means a device used with an electric discharge lamp
11 to obtain necessary circuit conditions, such as voltage, current, and
12 waveform, for starting and operating the lamp.

13 (3) "Commercial clothes washer" means a soft mount horizontal or
14 vertical-axis clothes washer that: (a) Has a clothes container
15 compartment no greater than 3.5 cubic feet in the case of a horizontal-
16 axis product or no greater than 4.0 cubic feet in the case of a
17 vertical-axis product; and (b) is designed for use by more than one
18 household, such as in multifamily housing, apartments, or coin
19 laundries.

20 (4) "Commercial prerinse spray valve" means a handheld device
21 designed and marketed for use with commercial dishwashing and
22 warewashing equipment and that sprays water on dishes, flatware, and
23 other food service items for the purpose of removing food residue prior
24 to their cleaning.

25 (5)(a) "Commercial refrigerators and freezers" means refrigerators,
26 freezers, or refrigerator-freezers designed for use by commercial or
27 institutional facilities for the purpose of storing or merchandising
28 food products, beverages, or ice at specified temperatures that: (i)
29 Incorporate most components involved in the vapor-compression cycle and
30 the refrigerated compartment in a single cabinet; and (ii) may be
31 configured with either solid or transparent doors as a reach-in
32 cabinet, pass-through cabinet, roll-in cabinet, or roll-through
33 cabinet.

34 (b) "Commercial refrigerators and freezers" does not include: (i)
35 Products with 85 cubic feet or more of internal volume; (ii) walk-in
36 refrigerators or freezers; (iii) consumer products that are federally
37 regulated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Sec. 6291 et seq.; (iv) products
38 without doors; or (v) freezers specifically designed for ice cream.

1 (6) "Compensation" means money or any other valuable thing,
2 regardless of form, received or to be received by a person for services
3 rendered.

4 (7) "Department" means the department of community, trade, and
5 economic development.

6 (8) "High-intensity discharge lamp" means a lamp in which light is
7 produced by the passage of an electric current through a vapor or gas,
8 and in which the light-producing arc is stabilized by bulb wall
9 temperature and the arc tube has a bulb wall loading in excess of three
10 watts per square centimeter.

11 (9) "Incandescent holiday lights" means a string of conventional,
12 incandescent lamps used primarily during the holiday season that
13 produce a broad-spectrum white light and are colored by coating the
14 glass envelope which acts as a color filter.

15 (10) "Light-emitting diode lights" means a string of lamps that
16 emit light from a small semiconducting chip when current is applied.

17 (11) "Metal halide lamp" means a high-intensity discharge lamp in
18 which the major portion of the light is produced by radiation of metal
19 halides and their products of dissociation, possibly in combination
20 with metallic vapors.

21 ((+10+)) (12) "Metal halide lamp fixture" means a light fixture
22 designed to be operated with a metal halide lamp and a ballast for a
23 metal halide lamp.

24 ((+11+)) (13) "Pass-through cabinet" means a commercial
25 refrigerator or freezer with hinged or sliding doors on both the front
26 and rear of the unit.

27 ((+12+)) (14) "Probe-start metal halide ballast" means a ballast
28 used to operate metal halide lamps which does not contain an igniter
29 and which instead starts lamps by using a third starting electrode
30 "probe" in the arc tube.

31 ((+13+)) (15) "Reach-in cabinet" means a commercial refrigerator or
32 freezer with hinged or sliding doors or lids, but does not include
33 roll-in or roll-through cabinets or pass-through cabinets.

34 ((+14+)) (16)(a) "Roll-in cabinet" means a commercial refrigerator
35 or freezer with hinged or sliding doors that allow wheeled racks of
36 product to be rolled into the unit.

37 (b) "Roll-through cabinet" means a commercial refrigerator or

1 freezer with hinged or sliding doors on two sides of the cabinet that
2 allow wheeled racks of product to be rolled through the unit.

3 ~~((+15+))~~ (17)(a) "Single-voltage external AC to DC power supply"
4 means a device that: (i) Is designed to convert line voltage
5 alternating current input into lower voltage direct current output;
6 (ii) is able to convert to only one DC output voltage at a time; (iii)
7 is sold with, or intended to be used with, a separate end-use product
8 that constitutes the primary power load; (iv) is contained within a
9 separate physical enclosure from the end-use product; (v) is connected
10 to the end-use product via a removable or hard-wired male/female
11 electrical connection, cable, cord, or other wiring; and (vi) has a
12 nameplate output power less than or equal to 250 watts.

13 (b) "Single-voltage external AC to DC power supply" does not
14 include: (i) Products with batteries or battery packs that physically
15 attach directly to the power supply unit; (ii) products with a battery
16 chemistry or type selector switch and indicator light; or (iii)
17 products with a battery chemistry or type selector switch and a state
18 of charge meter.

19 ~~((+16+))~~ (18) "State-regulated incandescent reflector lamp" means
20 a lamp that is not colored or designed for rough or vibration service
21 applications, that has an inner reflective coating on the outer bulb to
22 direct the light, an E26 medium screw base, and a rated voltage or
23 voltage range that lies at least partially within 115 to 130 volts, and
24 that falls into one of the following categories:

25 (a) A bulged reflector or elliptical reflector bulb shape and which
26 has a diameter which equals or exceeds 2.25 inches;

27 (b) A reflector, parabolic aluminized reflector, or similar bulb
28 shape and which has a diameter of 2.25 to 2.75 inches.

29 ~~((+17+))~~ (19) "Transformer" means a device consisting of two or
30 more coils of insulated wire and that is designed to transfer
31 alternating current by electromagnetic induction from one coil to
32 another to change the original voltage or current value.

33 ~~((+18+))~~ (20)(a) "Unit heater" means a self-contained, vented fan-
34 type commercial space heater that uses natural gas or propane, and that
35 is designed to be installed without ducts within a heated space.

36 (b) "Unit heater" does not include any products covered by federal
37 standards established pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Sec. 6291 et seq. or any

1 product that is a direct vent, forced flue heater with a sealed
2 combustion burner.

3 **Sec. 3.** RCW 19.260.030 and 2006 c 194 s 2 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) This chapter applies to the following types of new products
6 sold, offered for sale, or installed in the state: (a) Automatic
7 commercial ice cube machines; (b) commercial clothes washers; (c)
8 commercial prerinse spray valves; (d) commercial refrigerators and
9 freezers; (e) metal halide lamp fixtures; (f) single-voltage external
10 AC to DC power supplies; (g) state-regulated incandescent reflector
11 lamps; (~~and~~) (h) unit heaters; and (i) holiday lights. This chapter
12 applies equally to products whether they are sold, offered for sale, or
13 installed as a stand-alone product or as a component of another
14 product.

15 (2) This chapter does not apply to (a) new products manufactured in
16 the state and sold outside the state, (b) new products manufactured
17 outside the state and sold at wholesale inside the state for final
18 retail sale and installation outside the state, (c) products installed
19 in mobile manufactured homes at the time of construction, or (d)
20 products designed expressly for installation and use in recreational
21 vehicles.

22 **Sec. 4.** RCW 19.260.040 and 2006 c 194 s 3 are each amended to read
23 as follows:

24 The legislature establishes the following minimum efficiency
25 standards for the types of new products set forth in RCW 19.260.030.

26 (1)(a) Automatic commercial ice cube machines must have daily
27 energy use and daily water use no greater than the applicable values in
28 the following table:

Equipment type	Type of cooling	Harvest rate (lbs. ice/24 hrs.)	Maximum energy use (kWh/100 lbs.)	Maximum condenser water use (gallons/100 lbs. ice)
Ice-making head	water	<500	7.80 - .0055H	200 - .022H
		>=500<1436	5.58 - .0011H	200 - .022H
		>=1436	4.0	200 - .022H

1	Ice-making head	air	450	10.26 - .0086H	Not applicable
2			>=450	6.89 - .0011H	Not applicable
3	Remote condensing but	air	<1000	8.85 - .0038	Not applicable
4	not remote compressor		>=1000	5.10	Not applicable
5	Remote condensing and	air	<934	8.85 - .0038H	Not applicable
6	remote compressor		>=934	5.3	Not applicable
7	Self-contained models	water	<200	11.40 - .0190H	191 - .0315H
8			>=200	7.60	191 - .0315H
9	Self-contained models	air	<175	18.0 - .0469H	Not applicable
10			>=175	9.80	Not applicable

11 Where H= harvest rate in pounds per twenty-four hours which must be reported within 5% of the tested value.

12 "Maximum water use" applies only to water used for the condenser.

13 (b) For purposes of this section, automatic commercial ice cube
 14 machines shall be tested in accordance with ARI 810-2003 test method as
 15 published by the air-conditioning and refrigeration institute. Ice-
 16 making heads include all automatic commercial ice cube machines that
 17 are not split system ice makers or self-contained models as defined in
 18 ARI 810-2003.

19 (2) Commercial clothes washers must have a minimum modified energy
 20 factor of 1.26. For the purposes of this section, capacity and
 21 modified energy factor are defined and measured in accordance with the
 22 current federal test method for clothes washers as found at 10 C.F.R.
 23 Sec. 430.23.

24 (3) Commercial prerinse spray valves must have a flow rate equal to
 25 or less than 1.6 gallons per minute when measured in accordance with
 26 the American society for testing and materials' "Standard Test Method
 27 for Prerinse Spray Valves," ASTM F2324-03.

28 (4)(a) Commercial refrigerators and freezers must meet the
 29 applicable requirements listed in the following table:

30	Equipment Type	Doors	Maximum Daily Energy Consumption (kWh)
31	Reach-in cabinets, pass-through cabinets, and roll-in or roll-through cabinets that are refrigerators	Solid	0.10V+ 2.04
32		Transparent	0.12V+ 3.34
33	Reach-in cabinets, pass-through cabinets, and roll-in or roll-through cabinets that are "pulldown" refrigerators	Transparent	.126V+ 3.51

1	Reach-in cabinets, pass-through cabinets, and roll-in or roll-through cabinets that are freezers	Solid	0.40V+ 1.38
2		Transparent	0.75V+ 4.10
3	Reach-in cabinets that are refrigerator- freezers with an AV of 5.19 or higher	Solid	0.27AV - 0.71
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6 kWh= kilowatt hours

7 V= total volume (ft³)

8 AV= adjusted volume= [1.63 x freezer volume (ft³)]+ refrigerator volume (ft³)

9 (b) For purposes of this section, "pulldown" designates products
10 designed to take a fully stocked refrigerator with beverages at 90
11 degrees F and cool those beverages to a stable temperature of 38
12 degrees F within 12 hours or less. Daily energy consumption shall be
13 measured in accordance with the American national standards
14 institute/American society of heating, refrigerating and air-
15 conditioning engineers test method 117-2002, except that the back-
16 loading doors of pass-through and roll-through refrigerators and
17 freezers must remain closed throughout the test, and except that the
18 controls of all appliances must be adjusted to obtain the following
19 product temperatures.

20	Product or compartment type	Integrated average product temperature in degrees Fahrenheit
21	Refrigerator	38± 2
22	Freezer	0± 2

23 (5) Holiday lights must be light-emitting diode lights.

24 (6) Metal halide lamp fixtures designed to be operated with lamps
25 rated greater than or equal to 150 watts but less than or equal to 500
26 watts shall not contain a probe-start metal halide lamp ballast.

27 ((+6+)) (7)(a) Single-voltage external AC to DC power supplies
28 shall meet the requirements in the following table:

29	Nameplate output	Minimum Efficiency in Active Mode
30	< 1 Watt	0.49 * Nameplate Output
31	> or= 1 Watt and < or= 49 Watts	0.09 * Ln (Nameplate Output)+ 0.49
32	> 49 Watts	0.84
33		Maximum Energy Consumption in No-Load Mode

1	< 10 Watts	0.5 Watts
2	> or= 10 Watts and < or= 250 Watts	0.75 Watts

3 Where Ln (Nameplate Output) - Natural Logarithm of the nameplate output expressed in Watts

4 (b) For the purposes of this section, efficiency of single-voltage
5 external AC to DC power supplies shall be measured in accordance with
6 the United States environmental protection agency's "Test Method for
7 Calculating the Energy Efficiency of Single-Voltage External AC to DC
8 and AC to AC Power Supplies," by Ecos Consulting and Power Electronics
9 Application Center, dated August 11, 2004.

10 ~~((+7))~~ (8)(a) State-regulated incandescent reflector lamps shall
11 meet the minimum average lamp efficacy requirements for federally
12 regulated incandescent reflector lamps contained in 42 U.S.C. Sec.
13 6295(i)(1)(A).

14 (b) The following types of incandescent lamps are exempt from these
15 requirements:

- 16 (i) Lamps rated at fifty watts or less of the following types: BR
17 30, ER 30, BR 40, and ER 40;
- 18 (ii) Lamps rated at sixty-five watts of the following types: BR
19 30, BR 40, and ER 40; and
- 20 (iii) R 20 lamps of forty-five watts or less.

21 ~~((+8))~~ (9) Unit heaters must be equipped with intermittent
22 ignition devices and must have either power venting or an automatic
23 flue damper.

24 **Sec. 5.** RCW 19.260.050 and 2006 c 194 s 4 are each amended to read
25 as follows:

26 (1)(a) No new commercial prerinse spray valve, commercial clothes
27 washer, commercial refrigerator or freezer, state-regulated
28 incandescent reflector lamp, or unit heater manufactured on or after
29 January 1, 2007, may be sold or offered for sale in the state unless
30 the efficiency of the new product meets or exceeds the efficiency
31 standards set forth in RCW 19.260.040. No new automatic commercial ice
32 cube machine, single-voltage external AC to DC power supply, or metal
33 halide lamp fixtures manufactured on or after January 1, 2008, may be
34 sold or offered for sale in the state unless the efficiency of the new
35 product meets or exceeds the efficiency standards set forth in RCW
36 19.260.040.

1 (b) No new incandescent holiday lights manufactured after January
2 1, 2008, may be sold or offered for sale in this state unless the
3 lights are light-emitting diode lights as required under RCW
4 19.260.040.

5 (2) On or after January 1, 2008, no new commercial prerinse spray
6 valve, commercial clothes washer, commercial refrigerator or freezer,
7 single-voltage external AC to DC power supply, state-regulated
8 incandescent reflector lamp, or unit heater manufactured on or after
9 January 1, 2007, may be installed for compensation in the state unless
10 the efficiency of the new product meets or exceeds the efficiency
11 standards set forth in RCW 19.260.040. On or after January 1, 2009, no
12 new automatic commercial ice cube machine or metal halide lamp fixtures
13 manufactured on or after January 1, 2008, may be installed for
14 compensation in the state unless the efficiency of the new product
15 meets or exceeds the efficiency standards set forth in RCW 19.260.040.

16 (3) Standards for metal halide lamp fixtures and state-regulated
17 incandescent reflector lamps are effective on the dates in subsections
18 (1) and (2) of this section.

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