
HOUSE BILL 1146

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1 AN ACT Relating to the possession of inhalants; adding a new
2 section to chapter 69.50 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 69.50 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) A person is guilty of unlawful possession of an inhalant if he
7 or she possesses an inhalant to intentionally use the inhalant for the
8 purpose of inducing intoxication to the person who possesses the
9 inhalant or for the purpose of inducing intoxication to any other
10 person.

11 (2) The prohibitions of this section do not apply to any substance
12 that has been obtained directly from, or pursuant to, a valid
13 prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the course of
14 his or her professional practice, or except as otherwise authorized
15 under this chapter.

16 (3) Any person who violates this section is guilty of a class 1
17 civil infraction punishable under RCW 7.80.120.

18 (4) For the purposes of this section:

1 (a) "Inhalant" means any glue, cement, or other substance that is
2 capable of causing intoxication and that contains one or more of the
3 following chemical compounds:

4 (i) Acetone;

5 (ii) Amyl acetate;

6 (iii) Benzol or benzene;

7 (iv) Butane;

8 (v) Butyl acetate;

9 (vi) Butyl alcohol;

10 (vii) Carbon tetrachloride;

11 (viii) Chloroform;

12 (ix) Cyclohexanone;

13 (x) Difluoroethane;

14 (xi) Ethanol or ethyl alcohol;

15 (xii) Ethyl acetate;

16 (xiii) Hexane;

17 (xiv) Isopropanol or isopropyl alcohol;

18 (xv) Isopropyl acetate;

19 (xvi) Methyl cellosolve acetate;

20 (xvii) Methyl ethyl ketone;

21 (xviii) Methyl isobutyl ketone;

22 (xix) Nitrous oxide;

23 (xx) Toluol or toluene;

24 (xxi) Trichloroethylene;

25 (xxii) Tricresyl phosphate;

26 (xxiii) Xylol or xylene; or

27 (xxiv) Any other solvent, material, substance, chemical, or
28 combination thereof having the property of releasing toxic vapors or
29 fumes.

30 (b) "Intoxication" means any mental or physical impairment or
31 incapacity.

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