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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2558

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By Representative Moeller

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1 AN ACT Relating to theater licenses; and adding a new section to  
2 chapter 66.24 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 66.24 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) There shall be a theater license to sell beer, including strong  
7 beer, or wine, or both, at retail for consumption in a single theater  
8 room on theater premises. Only one theater license is available per  
9 theater premises, regardless of the number of theater rooms on the  
10 premises. The annual fee for such license shall be two hundred dollars  
11 for the beer license, two hundred dollars for the wine license, or four  
12 hundred dollars for a combination beer and wine license.

13 (2) If the theater premises are ever to be frequented by minors, a  
14 minor control plan must be submitted to the board at the time of  
15 application. The minor control plan must be approved by the board, and  
16 be prominently posted on the premises, prior to minors being allowed.

17 (3) For the purposes of this section, "minor control plan" means a  
18 written, dated, and signed plan submitted to the board by an applicant  
19 or licensee for the entire theater premises, or a room or area therein,

1 that shows where and when minors are permitted and the control measures  
2 used to prevent minors from obtaining alcohol, prohibit minors when  
3 drinking alcohol predominates, and minimize minors' exposure to a  
4 drinking environment.

5 (4) For the purposes of this section, "theater" means a place where  
6 motion pictures or live musical, dance, artistic, dramatic, literary,  
7 or educational performances are shown.

8 (5) The board shall adopt rules regarding minor control plans and  
9 necessary control measures to prevent minors from obtaining alcohol,  
10 prohibit minors when drinking alcohol predominates, and minimize  
11 minors' exposure to a drinking environment.

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