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## Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

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### SSB 5045

**Brief Description:** Allowing day spas to offer or supply without charge wine or beer by the individual glass to a customer for consumption on the premises.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Honeyford, Kohl-Welles and Frockt).

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Brief Summary of Substitute Bill</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creates a special permit for day spas to offer a complimentary glass of wine or beer to customers for on-premise consumption.</li></ul>
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**Hearing Date:** 3/21/13

**Staff:** Trudes Tango (786-7384).

**Background:**

The Liquor Control Board (LCB) issues several different types of licenses and permits that allow an entity to serve and/or sell alcoholic beverages. Examples of special permits include: an annual permit for bed and breakfast facilities to offer complimentary wine or beer to overnight guests for consumption on the premises; and a permit to allow liquor distributors and manufacturers to donate and serve without charge alcohol to guests at trade shows and conventions.

There are specific exemptions that allow certain entities to offer alcoholic beverages for no charge without a license or permit. For example, wedding boutiques and art galleries may offer one glass of wine or beer without charge to customers who are 21 years of age or older for on-premise consumption. The wine or beer served at wedding boutiques or art galleries must be purchased from a Washington licensed retailer at full retail price. The wedding boutique or art gallery may not sell beer or wine or advertise the complimentary service of beer or wine. A

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wedding boutique or art gallery employee involved in serving beer or wine must complete a limited alcohol server training program.

**Summary of Bill:**

A permit known as a day spa permit is created to allow a day spa to offer without charge wine or beer by the individual glass to customers for on-premise consumption. The customer must be at least 21 years old and may only be offered one glass of wine or beer. The wine or beer served must have been purchased from a Washington state licensed retailer.

A day spa offering wine or beer without charge may not advertise the service of complimentary wine or beer and may not sell wine or beer in any manner.

"Day spa" means a business that offers at least three of the following types of services: (1) hair care (such as shampooing, cutting, styling, or dyeing); (2) nail care (manicures and pedicures); (3) skin care (such as facial or body wraps); (4) massages; or (5) body toning equipment.

The annual fee for a day spa permit is \$125.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.