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1 AN ACT Relating to special permits for alcohol samples and sales  
2 by alcohol manufacturers; and amending RCW 66.20.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.20.010 and 2017 c 250 s 1 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 Upon application in the prescribed form being made to any  
7 employee authorized by the board to issue permits, accompanied by  
8 payment of the prescribed fee, and upon the employee being satisfied  
9 that the applicant should be granted a permit under this title, the  
10 employee must issue to the applicant under such regulations and at  
11 such fee as may be prescribed by the board a permit of the class  
12 applied for, as follows:

13 (1) Where the application is for a special permit by a physician  
14 or dentist, or by any person in charge of an institution regularly  
15 conducted as a hospital or sanitorium for the care of persons in ill  
16 health, or as a home devoted exclusively to the care of aged people,  
17 a special liquor purchase permit, except that the governor may waive  
18 the requirement for a special liquor purchase permit under this  
19 subsection pursuant to an order issued under RCW 43.06.220(2);

20 (2) Where the application is for a special permit by a person  
21 engaged within the state in mechanical or manufacturing business or

1 in scientific pursuits requiring alcohol for use therein, or by any  
2 private individual, a special permit to purchase alcohol for the  
3 purpose named in the permit, except that the governor may waive the  
4 requirement for a special liquor purchase permit under this  
5 subsection pursuant to an order issued under RCW 43.06.220(2);

6 (3) Where the application is for a special permit to consume  
7 liquor at a banquet, at a specified date and place, a special permit  
8 to purchase liquor for consumption at such banquet, to such  
9 applicants as may be fixed by the board;

10 (4) Where the application is for a special permit to consume  
11 liquor on the premises of a business not licensed under this title, a  
12 special permit to purchase liquor for consumption thereon for such  
13 periods of time and to such applicants as may be fixed by the board;

14 (5) Where the application is for a special permit by a  
15 manufacturer to import or purchase within the state alcohol, malt,  
16 and other materials containing alcohol to be used in the manufacture  
17 of liquor, or other products, a special permit;

18 (6) Where the application is for a special permit by a person  
19 operating a drug store to purchase liquor at retail prices only, to  
20 be thereafter sold by such person on the prescription of a physician,  
21 a special liquor purchase permit, except that the governor may waive  
22 the requirement for a special liquor purchase permit under this  
23 subsection pursuant to an order issued under RCW 43.06.220(2);

24 (7) Where the application is for a special permit by an  
25 authorized representative of a military installation operated by or  
26 for any of the armed forces within the geographical boundaries of the  
27 state of Washington, a special permit to purchase liquor for use on  
28 such military installation;

29 (8) Where the application is for a special permit by a vendor  
30 that manufactures or sells a product which cannot be effectively  
31 presented to potential buyers without serving it with liquor or by a  
32 manufacturer, importer, or distributor, or representative thereof, to  
33 serve liquor without charge to delegates and guests at a convention  
34 of a trade association composed of licensees of the board, when the  
35 said liquor is served in a hospitality room or from a booth in a  
36 board-approved suppliers' display room at the convention, and when  
37 the liquor so served is for consumption in the said hospitality room  
38 or display room during the convention, anything in this title to the  
39 contrary notwithstanding. Any such spirituous liquor must be  
40 purchased from a spirits retailer or distributor, and any such liquor

1 is subject to the taxes imposed by RCW 82.08.150, 66.24.290, and  
2 66.24.210;

3 (9) Where the application is for a special permit by a  
4 manufacturer, importer, or distributor, or representative thereof, to  
5 donate liquor for a reception, breakfast, luncheon, or dinner for  
6 delegates and guests at a convention of a trade association composed  
7 of licensees of the board, when the liquor so donated is for  
8 consumption at the said reception, breakfast, luncheon, or dinner  
9 during the convention, anything in this title to the contrary  
10 notwithstanding. Any such spirituous liquor must be purchased from a  
11 spirits retailer or distributor, and any such liquor is subject to  
12 the taxes imposed by RCW 82.08.150, 66.24.290, and 66.24.210;

13 (10) Where the application is for a special permit by a  
14 manufacturer, importer, or distributor, or representative thereof, to  
15 donate and/or serve liquor without charge to delegates and guests at  
16 an international trade fair, show, or exposition held under the  
17 auspices of a federal, state, or local governmental entity or  
18 organized and promoted by a nonprofit organization, anything in this  
19 title to the contrary notwithstanding. Any such spirituous liquor  
20 must be purchased from a liquor spirits retailer or distributor, and  
21 any such liquor is subject to the taxes imposed by RCW 82.08.150,  
22 66.24.290, and 66.24.210;

23 (11) Where the application is for an annual special permit by a  
24 person operating a bed and breakfast lodging facility to donate or  
25 serve wine or beer without charge to overnight guests of the facility  
26 if the wine or beer is for consumption on the premises of the  
27 facility. "Bed and breakfast lodging facility," as used in this  
28 subsection, means a facility offering from one to eight lodging units  
29 and breakfast to travelers and guests;

30 (12) Where the application is for a special permit to allow  
31 tasting of alcohol by persons at least eighteen years of age under  
32 the following circumstances:

33 (a) The application is from a community or technical college as  
34 defined in RCW 28B.50.030, a regional university, or a state  
35 university;

36 (b) The person who is permitted to taste under this subsection is  
37 enrolled as a student in a required or elective class that is part of  
38 a culinary, sommelier, wine business, enology, viticulture, wine  
39 technology, beer technology, or spirituous technology-related degree  
40 program;

1 (c) The alcohol served to any person in the degree-related  
2 programs under (b) of this subsection is tasted but not consumed for  
3 the purposes of educational training as part of the class curriculum  
4 with the approval of the educational provider;

5 (d) The service and tasting of alcoholic beverages is supervised  
6 by a faculty or staff member of the educational provider who is  
7 twenty-one years of age or older. The supervising faculty or staff  
8 member shall possess a class 12 or 13 alcohol server permit under the  
9 provisions of RCW 66.20.310;

10 (e) The enrolled student permitted to taste the alcoholic  
11 beverages does not purchase the alcoholic beverages; and

12 (f) The permit fee for the special permit provided for in this  
13 subsection (12) must be waived by the board;

14 (13) Where the application is for a special permit by a  
15 distillery or craft distillery for an event not open to the general  
16 public to be held or conducted at a specific place, including at the  
17 licensed premise of the applying distillery or craft distillery, upon  
18 a specific date for the purpose of tasting and selling spirits of its  
19 own production. The distillery or craft distillery must obtain a  
20 permit for a fee of ten dollars per event. An application for the  
21 permit must be submitted for private banquet permits prior to the  
22 event and, once issued, must be posted in a conspicuous place at the  
23 premises for which the permit was issued during all times the permit  
24 is in use. No licensee may receive more than twelve permits under  
25 this subsection (13) each year;

26 (14) Where the application is for a special permit by a  
27 manufacturer of wine for an event (~~(not open to the general public)~~)  
28 to be held or conducted at a specific place upon a specific date for  
29 the purpose of tasting and selling wine of its own production. The  
30 event may be either open or closed to the general public. If the  
31 event is open to the general public the event may be advertised by  
32 the manufacturer of wine or the person or entity who owns or operates  
33 the place at which the event is held or conducted. The winery must  
34 obtain a permit for a fee of ten dollars per event. An application  
35 for the permit must be submitted at least ten days before the event  
36 and once issued, must be posted in a conspicuous place at the  
37 premises for which the permit was issued during all times the permit  
38 is in use. No more than twelve events per year may be held by a  
39 single (~~manufacturer~~) domestic winery under this subsection;

1 (15) Where the application is for a special permit by a  
2 manufacturer of beer for an event not open to the general public to  
3 be held or conducted at a specific place upon a specific date for the  
4 purpose of tasting and selling beer of its own production. The  
5 brewery or microbrewery must obtain a permit for a fee of ten dollars  
6 per event. An application for the permit must be submitted at least  
7 ten days before the event and, once issued, must be posted in a  
8 conspicuous place at the premises for which the permit was issued  
9 during all times the permit is in use. No more than twelve events per  
10 year may be held by a single manufacturer under this subsection;

11 (16) Where the application is for a special permit by an  
12 individual or business to sell a private collection of wine or  
13 spirits to an individual or business. The seller must obtain a permit  
14 at least five business days before the sale, for a fee of twenty-five  
15 dollars per sale. The seller must provide an inventory of products  
16 sold and the agreed price on a form provided by the board. The seller  
17 shall submit the report and taxes due to the board no later than  
18 twenty calendar days after the sale. A permit may be issued under  
19 this section to allow the sale of a private collection to licensees,  
20 but may not be issued to a licensee to sell to a private individual  
21 or business which is not otherwise authorized under the license held  
22 by the seller. If the liquor is purchased by a licensee, all sales  
23 are subject to taxes assessed as on liquor acquired from any other  
24 source. The board may adopt rules to implement this section;

25 (17)(a) A special permit, where the application is for a special  
26 permit by a nonprofit organization to sell wine through an auction,  
27 not open to the public, to be conducted at a specific place, upon a  
28 specific date, and to allow wine tastings at the auction of the wine  
29 to be auctioned.

30 (b) A permit holder under this subsection (17) may at the  
31 specified event:

32 (i) Sell wine by auction for off-premises consumption; and

33 (ii) Allow tastings of samples of the wine to be auctioned at the  
34 event.

35 (c) An application is required for a permit under this subsection  
36 (17). The application must be submitted prior to the event and once  
37 issued must be posted in a conspicuous place at the premises for  
38 which the permit was issued during all times the permit is in use.

39 (d) Wine from more than one winery may be sold at the auction;  
40 however, each winery selling wine at the auction must be listed on

1 the permit application. Only a single application form may be  
2 required for each auction, regardless of the number of wineries that  
3 are selling wine at the auction. The total fee per event for a permit  
4 issued under this subsection (17) is twenty-five dollars multiplied  
5 by the number of wineries that are selling wine at the auction.

6 (e) For the purposes of this subsection (17), "nonprofit  
7 organization" means an entity incorporated as a nonprofit  
8 organization under Washington state law.

9 (f) The board may adopt rules to implement this section.

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