
SENATE BILL 5132

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By Senators Rivers, Conway, Keiser, and Chase; by request of Liquor and Cannabis Board

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1 AN ACT Relating to liquor enforcement officers' powers; and
2 amending RCW 66.44.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.44.010 and 1998 c 18 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) All county and municipal peace officers are hereby charged
7 with the duty of investigating and prosecuting all violations of this
8 title, and the penal laws of this state relating to the manufacture,
9 importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of
10 liquor, and all fines imposed for violations of this title and the
11 penal laws of this state relating to the manufacture, importation,
12 transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor shall
13 belong to the county, city or town wherein the court imposing the
14 fine is located, and shall be placed in the general fund for payment
15 of the salaries of those engaged in the enforcement of the provisions
16 of this title and the penal laws of this state relating to the
17 manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution
18 and sale of liquor: PROVIDED, That all fees, fines, forfeitures and
19 penalties collected or assessed by a district court because of the
20 violation of a state law shall be remitted as provided in chapter
21 3.62 RCW as now exists or is later amended.

1 (2) In addition to any and all other powers granted, the board
2 shall have the power to enforce the penal provisions of this title
3 and the penal and traffic laws of this state relating to and
4 associated with the manufacture, importation, transportation,
5 possession, distribution and sale of liquor, marijuana under chapter
6 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and 70.158 RCW, and vapor
7 products under chapter 70.345 RCW; and patron conduct in and around
8 locations licensed by the board.

9 (3) In addition to the other duties under this section, the board
10 shall enforce chapters 82.24 and 82.26 RCW.

11 (4) The board may appoint and employ, assign to duty and fix the
12 compensation of, officers to be designated as liquor enforcement
13 officers. Such liquor enforcement officers shall have the power,
14 under the supervision of the board, to enforce the penal provisions
15 of this title and the penal and traffic laws of this state relating
16 to and associated with the manufacture, importation, transportation,
17 possession, distribution and sale of liquor, marijuana under chapter
18 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and 70.158 RCW, and vapor
19 products under chapter 70.345 RCW; and patron conduct in and around
20 locations licensed by the board. They shall have the power and
21 authority to serve and execute all warrants and process of law issued
22 by the courts in enforcing the penal provisions of this title or of
23 any penal law of this state relating to the manufacture, importation,
24 transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor,
25 marijuana under chapter 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and
26 70.158 RCW, and vapor products under chapter 70.345 RCW, and the
27 provisions of chapters 82.24 and 82.26 RCW. They shall have the power
28 to arrest without a warrant any person or persons found in the act of
29 violating any of the penal provisions of this title or of any penal
30 law of this state relating to the manufacture, importation,
31 transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor,
32 marijuana under chapter 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and
33 70.158 RCW, and vapor products under chapter 70.345 RCW, and the
34 provisions of chapters 82.24 and 82.26 RCW, and patron conduct in and
35 around locations licensed by the board.

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