
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1389

State of Washington

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By House Commerce & Gaming (originally sponsored by Representatives Morgan, Young, Jinkins, Entenman, Ormsby, Lekanoff, Thai, Reeves, Stonier, Kilduff, and Stanford)

READ FIRST TIME 02/22/19.

1 AN ACT Relating to reporting requirements for common carriers who
2 transport liquor into the state; creating a new section; and
3 providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature makes the following
6 findings:

7 (a) The alcohol beverage regulators in several states have
8 recently undertaken enforcement efforts against entities shipping
9 alcohol illegally to consumers in their states;

10 (b) Washington state does not have adequate information regarding
11 illegal shipments of alcohol to Washington consumers or entities to
12 know if there is a problem here that needs to be addressed;

13 (c) The liquor and cannabis board is the regulatory agency
14 charged with enforcement of liquor laws; and

15 (d) The liquor and cannabis board informs and engages licensees,
16 the public, and stakeholders in addressing issues related to the
17 enforcement of liquor laws.

18 (2) The legislature directs the liquor and cannabis board to
19 investigate whether there are illegal alcohol shipments made to
20 Washington consumers and liquor licensees, including the size of the

1 problem if illegal alcohol shipments are made to Washington state. If
2 necessary the liquor and cannabis board may:

3 (a) Work with stakeholders, including suppliers, wholesalers,
4 retailers, and common carriers to determine the most effective means
5 to address the problem of illegal alcohol shipments to Washington;
6 and

7 (b) Develop legislative proposals relating to stopping illegal
8 shipments of alcohol and enforcement against making such shipments.

9 (3) After conducting the investigation under subsection (2) of
10 this section, the liquor and cannabis board must report its findings
11 to the appropriate committees of the legislature consistent with the
12 requirements of RCW 43.01.036 by December 31, 2019.

13 (4) This section expires December 31, 2020.

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