

SHB 2252 - S AMD 814
By Senator Torres

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 35.21
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) A city or town is encouraged to allow neighborhood cafés or
6 stores to be permitted in zones that allow residential uses.

7 (2) A city or town that allows neighborhood cafés or stores is
8 encouraged to:

9 (a) Not limit the total gross floor area of a neighborhood café
10 or store to less than 500 square feet;

11 (b) Consider explicitly allowing outdoor seating;

12 (c) Consider neighborhood impacts on drive-through facilities and
13 locations where there is more than one means of egress for vehicle
14 traffic;

15 (d) Not require more than two off-street vehicle parking spots
16 per café in addition to any parking required by the Americans with
17 disabilities act; and

18 (e) Regulate elements of business activity that may have effects
19 on the neighborhood, including but not limited to hours of operation,
20 noise, signage, and freight traffic.

21 (3)(a) For the purposes of this section, "neighborhood café"
22 means an establishment that serves a limited menu of food items.

23 (b) For the purposes of this section, "neighborhood store" means
24 a convenience grocery store or mini-market that provides a variety of
25 convenience items that may include, but is not limited to, food,
26 beverages, and household items.

27 (4) Nothing in this section affects the authority of a city or
28 town to allow neighborhood cafés or stores to be permitted in zones
29 that allow residential uses.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 35A.21
31 RCW to read as follows:

1 (1) A code city is encouraged to allow neighborhood cafés or
2 stores to be permitted in zones that allow residential uses.

3 (2) A code city that allows neighborhood cafés or stores is
4 encouraged to:

5 (a) Not limit the total gross floor area of a neighborhood café
6 or store to less than 500 square feet;

7 (b) Consider explicitly allowing outdoor seating;

8 (c) Consider neighborhood impacts on drive-through facilities and
9 locations where there is more than one means of egress for vehicle
10 traffic;

11 (d) Not require more than two off-street vehicle parking spots
12 per café in addition to any parking required by the Americans with
13 disabilities act; and

14 (e) Regulate elements of business activity that may have effects
15 on the neighborhood, including but not limited to hours of operation,
16 noise, signage, and freight traffic.

17 (3)(a) For the purposes of this section, "neighborhood café"
18 means an establishment that serves a limited menu of food items.

19 (b) For the purposes of this section, "neighborhood store" means
20 a convenience grocery store or mini-market that provides a variety of
21 convenience items that may include, but is not limited to, food,
22 beverages, and household items.

23 (4) Nothing in this section affects the authority of a code city
24 to allow neighborhood cafés or stores to be permitted in zones that
25 allow residential uses."

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26 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "zones;" strike the
27 remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter
28 35.21 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 35A.21 RCW."

EFFECT: (1) Encourages, rather than requires, a city, town, or
code city to allow neighborhood cafés or stores to be permitted in

zones that allow residential uses and consider certain criteria when allowing such cafés or stores.

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