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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1515**

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**By** House Consumer Protection & Business (originally sponsored by Representatives Reed, Walen, Berry, Cortes, Peterson, Richards, Ryu, Macri, Hill, and Scott)

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1 AN ACT Relating to modernizing the regulation of alcohol service  
2 in public spaces; amending RCW 66.24.710, 66.08.030, 66.44.100, and  
3 66.24.690; creating new sections; prescribing penalties; and  
4 providing an expiration date.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that updating  
7 and modernizing the regulation of alcohol service in public spaces by  
8 building upon the regulatory framework established in agency rules  
9 governing this activity will benefit the citizens of Washington, the  
10 restaurant and hospitality industry, nonprofit organizations, as well  
11 as local and state government in Washington, and will help prepare  
12 Washington to successfully host a major international sports event in  
13 2026.

14 (2) The legislature intends that passage and implementation of  
15 this act will allow for event environments that emphasize safe crowd  
16 management of high volumes of people, a pleasant event experience  
17 that maximizes mobility for event guests, especially families, and  
18 maintains safe operations that ensure alcohol is not accessed or  
19 consumed by persons under age 21, overservice is prevented, and  
20 alcohol does not leave the premises.

1 (3) Therefore, from the effective date of this section until  
2 December 31, 2026, the legislature intends to authorize local  
3 governments to request from the liquor and cannabis board, and for  
4 the board to reasonably approve, that expanded outdoor alcohol  
5 service in public spaces be allowed for liquor licensees in their  
6 jurisdictions, and, from the effective date of this section until  
7 December 31, 2027, to authorize local governments to request from the  
8 liquor and cannabis board, and for the board to reasonably approve,  
9 that expanded outdoor and indoor alcohol service in public spaces be  
10 allowed for liquor licensees operating during events in an approved  
11 area or areas of a city, town, county, or port authority that is a  
12 designated fan zone or host city, subject to the requirements of this  
13 act.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1)(a) Beginning on the effective date of  
15 this section until December 31, 2026, and subject to (d) of this  
16 subsection (1), a city, town, county, or port authority may request,  
17 and the board may approve, expanded outdoor alcohol service for  
18 liquor licensees within the whole city, town, county, or port  
19 authority, or within a specific area or areas of the city, town,  
20 county, or port authority as provided in (b) and (c) of this  
21 subsection (1). If requested by a county, the approval may only be  
22 for unincorporated areas of the county.

23 (b) For licensees identified in (c) of this subsection (1) who  
24 have requested approval from and been authorized by the board's  
25 licensing division to conduct outdoor alcohol service, and who are  
26 located within an area of a city, town, or county that has been  
27 approved by the board for expanded outdoor alcohol service, the  
28 following authorizations and requirements apply until December 31,  
29 2026:

30 (i) All outdoor alcohol service areas may be enclosed, at the  
31 licensee's discretion, by means of a permanent or movable barrier or  
32 by means of a permanent fence-free demarcation;

33 (ii) For an outdoor alcohol service area enclosed by means of a  
34 permanent or movable barrier of a minimum height specified by the  
35 board, the permanent or movable barrier is not required to meet  
36 minimum height requirements on sloped site conditions;

37 (iii) The openings into and out of an outdoor alcohol service  
38 area may be up to a maximum distance apart as determined appropriate  
39 by the applicable city, town, or county;

1 (iv) Licensees may share use of an outdoor alcohol service area  
2 with other licensees and licensees may share use of an outdoor  
3 alcohol service area with businesses that do not engage in the sale  
4 or service of alcohol, subject to requirements of the board. All  
5 participating licensees are jointly responsible for any violation or  
6 enforcement issues unless it can be demonstrated that the violation  
7 or enforcement issue was due to one or more licensee's specific  
8 conduct or action, in which case the violation or enforcement applies  
9 only to those identified licensees; and

10 (v) An employee of the licensee must be assigned to, but is not  
11 required to be in, the outdoor alcohol service area at all times that  
12 patrons are present. A direct line of sight is not required from  
13 inside the licensed premises to the outdoor alcohol service area.

14 (c) The authorization in this subsection (1) is available to the  
15 following liquor licensees: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer,  
16 and wine restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries  
17 and microbreweries; distilleries; and snack bars.

18 (d) A city, town, county, or port authority that requests and is  
19 approved for expanded outdoor alcohol service shall provide, and  
20 document the provision of:

21 (i) Adequate local resources, including law enforcement patrols  
22 in the area, during times that outdoor alcohol service is offered  
23 under the authorization in this subsection (1), to ensure safe  
24 operations of activities and the safety of the community; and

25 (ii) Services to keep the area of the jurisdiction in which the  
26 activities occur clean and free of litter or other remnants of the  
27 use of public spaces for expanded outdoor alcohol service.

28 (2)(a) A city, town, county, or port authority that is designated  
29 as a fan zone or host city by an international self-regulatory  
30 governing body of a sports association, or by a nonprofit  
31 organization authorized by such an entity, may request, and the board  
32 may approve, expanded alcohol service during events in an area or  
33 areas of the jurisdiction, as provided in (b) through (f) of this  
34 subsection (2). No more than 50 events per year, up to seven of which  
35 may be multiday events, may be authorized for each individual local  
36 government jurisdiction under this subsection (2).

37 (b) Multiple licensees located in an area or areas of a  
38 jurisdiction approved under this subsection (2) may share an alcohol  
39 service area encompassing the entire approved area or areas, or part  
40 of the approved area or areas, during an event, so long as:

1 (i) The board approves of the event perimeter enclosing the  
2 alcohol service area;

3 (ii) Security and physical barriers are provided at all entry  
4 points to the event;

5 (iii) The city, town, county, or port authority through a  
6 designated official notifies the board within a minimum time required  
7 by the board in rule before the event begins;

8 (iv) Signage is conspicuously posted during the event notifying  
9 the public that the area is in use as an expanded alcohol service  
10 area and public notice of the upcoming use of the area as an expanded  
11 alcohol service area was conspicuously posted at least seven days in  
12 advance; and

13 (v) All participating licensees submit a joint operating plan to  
14 the board for approval, in a format designated by the board, that  
15 describes: (A) How the licensees will prevent the sale and service of  
16 alcohol to persons under 21 years of age and those who appear to be  
17 intoxicated; (B) the ratio of alcohol service staff and security  
18 staff to the anticipated number of attendees, subject to a ratio  
19 requirement that may be set by the board; (C) training provided to  
20 staff who serve, regulate, or supervise the service of alcohol  
21 including that alcohol server training is required for all such  
22 staff; (D) the licensees' policy on the number of alcoholic beverages  
23 that will be served to an individual patron during one transaction,  
24 subject to a limit determined by the board; (E) an explanation of the  
25 alcoholic beverage containers that will be used to ensure they are  
26 significantly different from containers used from nonalcoholic  
27 beverages; (F) the barriers or demarcations to be used for an alcohol  
28 service area or event perimeter; and (G) other information required  
29 by the board in rule.

30 (c) At the board's discretion, violations of (b)(iii) or (iv) of  
31 this subsection can be cause for denial of approval of events  
32 conducted under this subsection and violations of (b)(iv) of this  
33 subsection can also be cause for denial of a license of the  
34 participating licensees or denial of participation in future events  
35 under this section.

36 (d) Multiple licensees located in an area or areas of a city,  
37 town, county, or port authority that have been approved under (a) of  
38 this subsection (2) may share an indoor alcohol service area at  
39 certain times authorized by the city, town, county, or port authority  
40 through a designated official, so long as:

1 (i) The city, town, county, or port authority through a  
2 designated official notifies the board at least seven days in advance  
3 of the date licensees intend to begin operating the shared indoor  
4 alcohol service area;

5 (ii) The city, town, county, or port authority ensures security  
6 and physical barriers are provided at all entry points to the indoor  
7 alcohol service area; and

8 (iii) The licensees submit a joint operating plan to the board  
9 for approval meeting the requirements of (b)(v) of this subsection  
10 (2).

11 (e) With respect to multiple licensees sharing an alcohol service  
12 area as authorized under (b) or (d) of this subsection (2), all  
13 participating licensees are jointly responsible for any violation or  
14 enforcement issues unless it can be demonstrated that the violation  
15 or enforcement issue was due to one or more licensee's specific  
16 conduct or action, in which case the violation or enforcement applies  
17 only to those identified licensees.

18 (f) During the times a licensee is operating under the  
19 authorization in subsection (2) of this section, the licensee may:

20 (i) Operate without a permit from their local jurisdiction that  
21 may otherwise be required to allow the business to use the public  
22 space as an alcohol service area;

23 (ii) Share an alcohol service area with another licensee: (A)  
24 Without individually requesting approval from the board's licensing  
25 division; and (B) regardless of whether the licensees' property  
26 parcels or buildings are located in direct physical proximity to one  
27 another; and

28 (iii) Sell and serve alcohol to customers from an alcohol service  
29 area without offering food service menu options, except that any  
30 required food service must still be provided within the licensed  
31 premises, and in any preexisting alcohol service area operated by the  
32 licensee under the board's rules that does not rely on the  
33 authorization in this section, if the preexisting alcohol service  
34 area remains in place during an event.

35 (3) The authorization in subsection (2) of this section is  
36 available to: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer, and wine  
37 restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries and  
38 microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; and special community event  
39 licensees under section 3 of this act.

1 (4) A caterer's license shall be issued to an eligible applicant  
2 under RCW 66.24.690 for an event open to the public and held in an  
3 area or areas approved under subsection (2) of this section in a  
4 city, town, county, or port authority, even if the sponsor of the  
5 event for which catering services are being provided is not a society  
6 or organization as defined in RCW 66.24.375, if license and  
7 regulatory requirements are otherwise met.

8 (5) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this  
9 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

10 (a) "Alcohol service area" means an area in which liquor may be  
11 sold, served, and consumed as authorized under this title and rules  
12 of the board.

13 (b) "Board" means the liquor and cannabis board.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1)(a) There is a retailer's license to be  
15 designated as a special community event license to be issued to a  
16 not-for-profit society or organization to sell spirits, beer, and  
17 wine by the individual serving for on-premises consumption at a  
18 specified event, at a specified date and place, in a city, town, or  
19 county meeting the requirements of (b) of this subsection (1); fee  
20 \$60 per day.

21 (b) A license under this section is available only for the holder  
22 to operate during events in an area or areas of a city, town, county,  
23 or port authority that is approved by the liquor and cannabis board  
24 under section 2(2) of this act. The not-for-profit society or  
25 organization is not limited in the number of calendar days per year  
26 of sales under a special community event license.

27 (2) The licensee may sell spirits, beer, and/or wine in original,  
28 unopened containers for off-premises consumption if permission is  
29 obtained from the liquor and cannabis board before the event. Any  
30 spirits, beer, and wine sold by the licensee for off-premises  
31 consumption may not be opened or consumed within the publicly owned  
32 civic campus.

33 (3) Sales, service, and consumption of spirits, beer, and wine is  
34 allowed in all alcohol service areas at events approved under section  
35 2(2) of this act, including an alcohol service area encompassing the  
36 entire area or areas of the city, town, county, or port authority  
37 approved under section 2(2) of this act.

38 (4) In accordance with section 2(2) of this act, signage must be  
39 conspicuously posted at an event location notifying the public:

1 (a) At least seven days in advance of a licensee operating under  
2 this section that the area will be used as an expanded alcohol  
3 service area; and

4 (b) During all times a licensee is operating under this section  
5 that the area is in use as an expanded alcohol service area.

6 (5) Liquor sold under this special community event license must  
7 be purchased from a licensee of the liquor and cannabis board.

8 (6) Any violation of this section is a class 1 civil infraction  
9 under chapter 7.80 RCW. At the liquor and cannabis board's  
10 discretion, repeat violations at an event authorized under section  
11 2(2) of this act within a two-year period can be cause for denial of  
12 a license under this section or participation in future events.

13 **Sec. 4.** RCW 66.24.710 and 2023 c 279 s 1 are each amended to  
14 read as follows:

15 (1)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the  
16 following licensees may sell alcohol products at retail for takeout  
17 or delivery or both under liquor and cannabis board licenses and  
18 endorsements: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer, and wine  
19 restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries and  
20 microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; nonprofit arts licensees;  
21 and caterers.

22 (b) No alcohol products may be sold by delivery under this  
23 section after July 1, 2025.

24 (2) Spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees may sell  
25 premixed cocktails for takeout and, until July 1, 2025, for delivery.  
26 The board may establish by rule the manner in which premixed  
27 cocktails for off-premises consumption must be provided. This  
28 subsection does not authorize the sale of bottles of spirits by  
29 licensees for off-premises consumption.

30 (3) Spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees may sell wine by  
31 the glass or premixed wine and spirits cocktails for takeout and,  
32 until July 1, 2025, delivery. Beer and wine restaurant licensees may  
33 sell wine or premixed wine drinks by the glass for takeout and, until  
34 July 1, 2025, delivery. The board may establish by rule the manner in  
35 which wine by the glass and premixed cocktails for off-premises  
36 consumption must be provided.

37 (4) Licensees that were authorized by statute or rule before  
38 January 1, 2020, to sell growlers for on-premises consumption may  
39 sell growlers for off-premises consumption through takeout or, until

1 July 1, 2025, delivery. Sale of growlers under this subsection must  
2 meet federal alcohol and tobacco tax and trade bureau requirements.

3 (5) (a) Licensees must obtain from the board an endorsement to  
4 their license in order to conduct activities authorized under  
5 subsections (1) through (4) of this section. The board may adopt  
6 rules governing the manner in which the activities authorized under  
7 this section must be conducted. Licensees must not be charged a fee  
8 in order to obtain an endorsement required under this section.

9 (b) (i) Alcohol delivery under this section must be performed by  
10 an employee of an alcohol delivery endorsement holder who is 21 years  
11 of age or older and possesses a class 12 permit, in accordance with  
12 RCW 66.20.310.

13 (ii) Delivery services conducted by beer and wine restaurant  
14 licensees and spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees under this  
15 section must be accompanied by a purchased meal prepared and sold by  
16 the license holder.

17 (c) Alcohol sold for takeout by beer and wine restaurant  
18 licensees and spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees under this  
19 section must be accompanied by a purchased meal prepared and sold by  
20 the license holder.

21 (d) Any alcohol product sold for takeout or delivery under this  
22 section must be in a factory sealed container or a tamper-resistant  
23 container.

24 (6) Beer and wine specialty shops licensed under RCW 66.24.371  
25 and domestic breweries and microbreweries may sell prefilled growlers  
26 for off-premises consumption through takeout and, until July 1, 2025,  
27 delivery, provided that prefilled growlers are sold the same day they  
28 are prepared for sale and not stored overnight for sale on future  
29 days.

30 (7) ~~((The))~~ Subject to sections 2 and 3 of this act, the board  
31 must adopt or revise current rules to allow for outdoor service of  
32 alcohol by on-premises licensees holding licenses issued by the board  
33 for the following license types: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits,  
34 beer, and wine restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic  
35 breweries and microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; ~~((and))~~  
36 private clubs licensed under RCW 66.24.450 and 66.24.452; and special  
37 community event licensees under section 3 of this act. The board may  
38 adopt requirements providing for clear accountability at locations  
39 where multiple licensees use a shared space for serving customers,  
40 and at locations where a licensee or licensees use a shared space



1 with another business or businesses that do not engage in the sale or  
2 service of alcohol under section 2 of this act.

3 (8) Upon delivery of any alcohol product authorized to be  
4 delivered under this section, the signature of the person age 21 or  
5 over receiving the delivery must be obtained.

6 ~~(9) ((The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this~~  
7 ~~section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.~~

8 ~~(a) "Board" means the liquor and cannabis board.~~

9 ~~(b) "Growlers"))~~ For the purposes of this section, "growlers"  
10 means sanitary containers brought to the premises by the purchaser or  
11 furnished by the licensee and filled by the retailer at the time of  
12 sale.

13 **Sec. 5.** RCW 66.08.030 and 2014 c 63 s 2 are each amended to read  
14 as follows:

15 The power of the board to ~~((make regulations))~~ adopt rules under  
16 chapter 34.05 RCW extends to:

17 (1) Prescribing the duties of the employees of the board, and  
18 regulating their conduct in the discharge of their duties;

19 (2) Prescribing an official seal and official labels and stamps  
20 and determining the manner in which they must be attached to every  
21 package of liquor sold or sealed under this title, including the  
22 prescribing of different official seals or different official labels  
23 for different classes of liquor;

24 (3) Prescribing forms to be used for purposes of this title or  
25 the regulations, and the terms and conditions to be contained in  
26 permits and licenses issued under this title, and the qualifications  
27 for receiving a permit or license issued under this title, including  
28 a criminal history record information check. The board may submit the  
29 criminal history record information check to the Washington state  
30 patrol and to the identification division of the federal bureau of  
31 investigation in order that these agencies may search their records  
32 for prior arrests and convictions of the individual or individuals  
33 who filled out the forms. The board must require fingerprinting of  
34 any applicant whose criminal history record information check is  
35 submitted to the federal bureau of investigation;

36 (4) Prescribing the fees payable in respect of permits and  
37 licenses issued under this title for which no fees are prescribed in  
38 this title, and prescribing the fees for anything done or permitted  
39 to be done under the regulations;

1 (5) Prescribing the kinds and quantities of liquor which may be  
2 kept on hand by the holder of a special permit for the purposes named  
3 in the permit, regulating the manner in which the same is kept and  
4 disposed of, and providing for the inspection of the same at any time  
5 at the instance of the board;

6 (6) Regulating the sale of liquor kept by the holders of licenses  
7 which entitle the holder to purchase and keep liquor for sale;

8 (7) Prescribing the records of purchases or sales of liquor kept  
9 by the holders of licenses, and the reports to be made thereon to the  
10 board, and providing for inspection of the records so kept;

11 (8) Prescribing the kinds and quantities of liquor for which a  
12 prescription may be given, and the number of prescriptions which may  
13 be given to the same patient within a stated period;

14 (9) Prescribing the manner of giving and serving notices required  
15 by this title or the regulations, where not otherwise provided for in  
16 this title;

17 (10) Regulating premises in which liquor is kept for export from  
18 the state, or from which liquor is exported, prescribing the books  
19 and records to be kept therein and the reports to be made thereon to  
20 the board, and providing for the inspection of the premises and the  
21 books, records and the liquor so kept;

22 (11) Prescribing the conditions and qualifications requisite for  
23 the obtaining of club licenses and the books and records to be kept  
24 and the returns to be made by clubs, prescribing the manner of  
25 licensing clubs in any municipality or other locality, and providing  
26 for the inspection of clubs;

27 (12) (~~Prescribing~~) Subject to sections 2 and 3 of this act,  
28 prescribing the conditions, accommodations, and qualifications  
29 requisite for the obtaining of licenses to sell beer, wines, and  
30 spirits, and regulating the sale of beer, wines, and spirits  
31 thereunder;

32 (13) Specifying and regulating the time and periods when, and the  
33 manner, methods and means by which manufacturers must deliver liquor  
34 within the state; and the time and periods when, and the manner,  
35 methods and means by which liquor may lawfully be conveyed or carried  
36 within the state;

37 (14) Providing for the making of returns by brewers of their  
38 sales of beer shipped within the state, or from the state, showing  
39 the gross amount of such sales and providing for the inspection of

1 brewers' books and records, and for the checking of the accuracy of  
2 any such returns;

3 (15) Providing for the making of returns by the wholesalers of  
4 beer whose breweries are located beyond the boundaries of the state;

5 (16) Providing for the making of returns by any other liquor  
6 manufacturers, showing the gross amount of liquor produced or  
7 purchased, the amount sold within and exported from the state, and to  
8 whom so sold or exported, and providing for the inspection of the  
9 premises of any such liquor manufacturers, their books and records,  
10 and for the checking of any such return;

11 (17) Providing for the giving of fidelity bonds by any or all of  
12 the employees of the board. However, the premiums therefor must be  
13 paid by the board;

14 (18) Providing for the shipment of liquor to any person holding a  
15 permit and residing in any unit which has, by election pursuant to  
16 this title, prohibited the sale of liquor therein;

17 (19) Prescribing methods of manufacture, conditions of  
18 sanitation, standards of ingredients, quality and identity of  
19 alcoholic beverages manufactured, sold, bottled, or handled by  
20 licensees and the board; and conducting from time to time, in the  
21 interest of the public health and general welfare, scientific studies  
22 and research relating to alcoholic beverages and the use and effect  
23 thereof;

24 (20) Seizing, confiscating and destroying all alcoholic beverages  
25 manufactured, sold or offered for sale within this state which do not  
26 conform in all respects to the standards prescribed by this title or  
27 the regulations of the board. However, nothing herein contained may  
28 be construed as authorizing the (~~liquor~~) board to prescribe, alter,  
29 limit or in any way change the present law as to the quantity or  
30 percentage of alcohol used in the manufacturing of wine or other  
31 alcoholic beverages;

32 (21) Monitoring and regulating the practices of license holders  
33 as necessary in order to prevent the theft and illegal trafficking of  
34 liquor pursuant to RCW 66.28.350; and

35 (22) Imposing reasonable requirements on licensees' operations of  
36 alcohol service areas and the sale, service, and consumption of  
37 alcohol, consistent with RCW 66.24.710 and sections 2 and 3 of this  
38 act.

1       **Sec. 6.** RCW 66.44.100 and 1999 c 189 s 3 are each amended to  
2 read as follows:

3       Except as permitted by this title, including as allowed under  
4 sections 2 and 3 of this act, no person shall open the package  
5 containing liquor or consume liquor in a public place. Every person  
6 who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a class  
7 3 civil infraction under chapter 7.80 RCW.

8       **Sec. 7.** RCW 66.24.690 and 2021 c 6 s 19 are each amended to read  
9 as follows:

10       (1) There shall be a caterer's license to sell spirits, beer, and  
11 wine, by the individual serving, at retail, for consumption on the  
12 premises at an event location that is either owned, leased, or  
13 operated either by the caterer or the sponsor of the event for which  
14 catering services are being provided. If the event is open to the  
15 public, except as provided in section 2(4) of this act, it must be  
16 sponsored by a society or organization as defined in RCW 66.24.375.  
17 If attendance at the event is limited to members or invited guests of  
18 the sponsoring individual, society, or organization, the requirement  
19 that the sponsor must be a society or organization as defined in RCW  
20 66.24.375 is waived. The licensee must serve food as required by  
21 rules of the board.

22       (2)(a) The annual fee is two hundred dollars for the beer  
23 license, two hundred dollars for the wine license, or four hundred  
24 dollars for a combination beer and wine license. The annual fee for a  
25 combined beer, wine, and spirits license is one thousand dollars.

26       (b) The annual fees in (a) of this subsection are waived during  
27 the 12-month period beginning with the second calendar month after  
28 February 28, 2021, for:

29       (i) Licenses that expire during the 12-month waiver period under  
30 this subsection (2)(b); and

31       (ii) Licenses issued to persons previously licensed under this  
32 section at any time during the 12-month period prior to the 12-month  
33 waiver period under this subsection (2)(b).

34       (c) The waivers in (b) of this subsection do not apply to any  
35 licensee that:

36       (i) Had their license suspended by the board for health and  
37 safety violations of state COVID-19 guidelines; or

38       (ii) Received an order of immediate restraint or citation from  
39 the department of labor and industries for allowing an employee to

1 perform work where business activity was prohibited in violation of  
2 an emergency proclamation of the governor under RCW 43.06.220.

3 (d) Upon request of the department of revenue, the board and the  
4 department of labor and industries must both provide a list of  
5 persons that they have determined to be ineligible for a fee waiver  
6 under (b) of this subsection for the reasons described in (c) of this  
7 subsection. Unless otherwise agreed, any list must be received by the  
8 department of revenue no later than 15 calendar days after the  
9 request is made.

10 (3) The holder of this license shall notify the board or its  
11 designee of the date, time, place, and location of any catered event  
12 at which liquor will be served, sold, or consumed. The board shall  
13 create rules detailing notification requirements. Upon request, the  
14 licensee shall provide to the board all necessary or requested  
15 information concerning the individual, society, or organization that  
16 will be holding the catered function at which the caterer's liquor  
17 license will be utilized.

18 (4) The holder of this license may, under conditions established  
19 by the board, store liquor on other premises operated by the licensee  
20 so long as the other premises are owned or controlled by a leasehold  
21 interest by that licensee.

22 (5) The holder of this license is prohibited from catering events  
23 at locations that are already licensed to sell liquor under this  
24 chapter.

25 (6) The holder of this license is responsible for all sales,  
26 service, and consumption of alcohol at the location of the catered  
27 event.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** A city, town, county, or port authority  
29 identified in section 2(2) of this act that has requested and been  
30 approved for expanded alcohol service and that uses the  
31 authorization, must report to the legislature and the liquor and  
32 cannabis board by January 1, 2027, and include a description of the  
33 activities conducted, the benefits realized, and challenges  
34 encountered, while this legislation was in effect.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** (1) By September 1, 2026, a city, town,  
36 county, or port authority that has requested and been approved by the  
37 liquor and cannabis board for expanded alcohol service under section  
38 2 (1) or (2) of this act, and that uses the authorization, shall

1 conduct a public engagement review by contacting local organizations,  
2 individual residents, businesses, and others in the local community  
3 where expanded alcohol sales and service occurred or is occurring, to  
4 gain a balanced understanding of how the activities were or are being  
5 experienced by people in the community. The public engagement review  
6 required by this section must include examining:

7 (a) Whether adequate local resources, including law enforcement  
8 patrols in the area, were or are provided during times that expanded  
9 alcohol service was or is offered, to ensure community safety;

10 (b) Whether services were or are provided to keep the area of the  
11 jurisdiction in which the activities occurred or are occurring clean  
12 and free of litter or other remnants of the use of public spaces for  
13 expanded alcohol service; and

14 (c) The costs and benefits to the community of expanded alcohol  
15 sales and service perceived by residents throughout the community.

16 (2) A city, town, county, or port authority conducting a review  
17 under this section shall submit the results in a report to the liquor  
18 and cannabis board by September 1, 2026. The board shall review the  
19 information received from cities, towns, counties, and port  
20 authorities and information about complaints and enforcement  
21 activities associated with expanded alcohol service conducted under  
22 section 2 of this act. By January 1, 2027, the board shall report to  
23 the appropriate committees of the legislature and the governor  
24 describing the outcomes of authorized activities, information  
25 received from cities, towns, counties, and port authorities, and  
26 policy options for extending, modifying, or allowing the expiration  
27 of the authorization for expanded alcohol service in public spaces.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** This act expires December 31, 2027.

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