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**SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1515**

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

READ FIRST TIME 02/28/25.

1 AN ACT Relating to modernizing the regulation of alcohol service  
2 in public spaces; amending RCW 66.24.380, 66.24.710, 66.08.030,  
3 66.44.100, and 66.24.690; creating new sections; prescribing  
4 penalties; and 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.

21 (3) Therefore, subject to the requirements in this section:

1 (a) From the effective date of this section until December 31,  
2 2026, the legislature intends to authorize local governments to  
3 request from the liquor and cannabis board, and for the board to  
4 reasonably approve, that expanded outdoor alcohol service in public  
5 spaces be allowed for liquor licensees in their jurisdictions;

6 (b) From the effective date of this section until December 31,  
7 2027, the legislature intends to authorize certain cities to request  
8 from the liquor and cannabis board, and for the board to reasonably  
9 approve, that expanded outdoor and indoor alcohol service in public  
10 spaces be allowed for liquor licensees operating during events on  
11 publicly owned civic campuses; and

12 (c) During the months of June and July of 2026, the legislature  
13 intends to authorize certain local governments to request from the  
14 liquor and cannabis board, and for the board to reasonably approve,  
15 that expanded outdoor and indoor alcohol service in public spaces be  
16 allowed for certain liquor licensees operating during a single  
17 multiday event in an approved area or areas of a city, town, county,  
18 or port authority that is a designated fan zone or host city.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) (a) Beginning on the effective date of  
20 this section until December 31, 2026, and subject to (d) of this  
21 subsection (1) and subsection (5) of this section, a city, town,  
22 county, or port authority may request, and the board may approve,  
23 expanded outdoor alcohol service for liquor licensees within the  
24 whole city, town, county, or port authority, or within a specific  
25 area or areas of the city, town, county, or port authority as  
26 provided in (b) and (c) of this subsection (1). If requested by a  
27 county, the approval may only be for unincorporated areas of the  
28 county.

29 (b) For licensees identified in (c) of this subsection (1) who  
30 have requested approval from and been authorized by the board's  
31 licensing division to conduct outdoor alcohol service, and who are  
32 located within an area of a city, town, or county that has been  
33 approved by the board for expanded outdoor alcohol service, the  
34 following authorizations and requirements apply until December 31,  
35 2026:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

35 (2) (a) A city with a population of more than 400,000 may request,  
36 and the board may approve, expanded alcohol service during events on  
37 a publicly owned civic campus in the city, as provided in (b) through  
38 (f) of this subsection (2) and subject to subsection (5) of this  
39 section. No more than 25 events per year, up to seven of which may be

1 multiday events, may be authorized for a city under this subsection  
2 (2).

3 (b) Multiple licensees located on a publicly owned civic campus  
4 in a city with a population of more than 400,000 that has been  
5 approved under (a) of this subsection (2) may share an alcohol  
6 service area encompassing the entire publicly owned civic campus, or  
7 part of the publicly owned civic campus, so long as:

8 (i) The board approves of the event perimeter enclosing the  
9 alcohol service area;

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

12 (iii) The campus operator notifies the board within a minimum  
13 time required by the board in rule before the event begins;

14 (iv) Signage is conspicuously posted during the event notifying  
15 the public that the area is in use as an expanded alcohol service  
16 area and public notice of the upcoming use of the area as an expanded  
17 alcohol service area was conspicuously posted at least seven days in  
18 advance; and

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

36 (c) At the board's discretion, violations of (b)(iii) or (iv) of  
37 this subsection can be cause for denial of approval of events  
38 conducted under this subsection and violations of (b)(iv) of this  
39 subsection can also be cause for denial of a license of the

1 participating licensees or denial of participation in future events  
2 under this section.

3 (d) Multiple licensees located on a publicly owned civic campus  
4 in a city with a population of more than 400,000 that has been  
5 approved under (a) of this subsection (2) may share an indoor alcohol  
6 service area at certain times authorized by the campus operator, so  
7 long as:

8 (i) The campus operator notifies the board at least seven days in  
9 advance of the date licensees intend to begin operating the shared  
10 indoor alcohol service area;

11 (ii) The campus operator ensures security and physical barriers  
12 are provided at all entry points to the indoor alcohol service area;  
13 and

14 (iii) The licensees submit a joint operating plan to the board  
15 for approval meeting the requirements of (b)(v) of this subsection  
16 (2).

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

24 (f) During the times a licensee is operating under the  
25 authorization in this subsection (2) or subsection (4) of this  
26 section, the licensee may:

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

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

35 (iii) Sell and serve alcohol to customers from an alcohol service  
36 area without offering food service menu options, except that any  
37 required food service must still be provided within the licensed  
38 premises, and in any preexisting alcohol service area operated by the  
39 licensee under the board's rules that does not rely on the

1 authorization in this section, if the preexisting alcohol service  
2 area remains in place during an event.

3 (3) (a) The authorization in subsections (2) and (4) of this  
4 section is available to: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer,  
5 and wine restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries  
6 and microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; and special occasion  
7 licensees under RCW 66.24.380.

8 (b) A caterer's license shall be issued to an eligible applicant  
9 under RCW 66.24.690 for an event open to the public and held on a  
10 publicly owned civic campus in a city with a population of more than  
11 400,000 under subsection (2) of this section or in an area or areas  
12 of a jurisdiction approved under subsection (4) of this section, even  
13 if the sponsor of the event for which catering services are being  
14 provided is not a society or organization as defined in RCW  
15 66.24.375, if license and regulatory requirements are otherwise met.

16 (4) (a) A city, town, county, or port authority that has been  
17 designated as a fan zone or host city from an international self-  
18 regulatory governing body of a sports association, or a nonprofit  
19 organization authorized by such an entity, may request, and the board  
20 may approve, expanded outdoor and indoor alcohol service for liquor  
21 licensees within an area or areas of the jurisdiction. The  
22 authorization in this subsection (4) may be used to allow expanded  
23 alcohol sales and service only during a single multiday event in each  
24 approved jurisdiction in either of the months of June or July of  
25 2026.

26 (b) Multiple licensees located within an area of a city, town,  
27 county, or port authority approved under this subsection for expanded  
28 alcohol service may share an alcohol service area encompassing the  
29 entire approved area or areas, during the event, so long as:

30 (i) The board approves of the event perimeter enclosing the  
31 alcohol service area;

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

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

37 (iv) Signage is conspicuously posted during the event notifying  
38 the public that the area is in use as an expanded alcohol service  
39 area and public notice of the upcoming use of the area as an expanded

1 alcohol service area was conspicuously posted at least seven days in  
2 advance; and

3 (v) All participating licensees submit a joint operating plan to  
4 the board for approval, in a format designated by the board, that  
5 meets the requirements of subsection (2)(b)(v) of this section.

6 (c) Licensees operating under this subsection (4) may share use  
7 of an alcohol service area with other licensees and licensees may  
8 share use of an alcohol service area with businesses that do not  
9 engage in the sale or service of alcohol, subject to requirements of  
10 the board. All participating licensees are jointly responsible for  
11 any violation or enforcement issues unless it can be demonstrated  
12 that the violation or enforcement issue was due to one or more  
13 licensee's specific conduct or action, in which case the violation or  
14 enforcement applies only to those identified licensees.

15 (d) During the times a licensee is operating under the  
16 authorization in this subsection (4), the licensee may operate as  
17 provided in subsection (2)(f) of this section.

18 (5) The board may impose a fee on any or all of the following  
19 licensees and local governments in order to cover but not exceed the  
20 board's administrative and enforcement costs related to activities  
21 authorized under this section:

22 (a) A licensee seeking to operate under the authorization in this  
23 section, as a condition to exercising privileges in this section;

24 (b) A city, town, county, or port authority applying for expanded  
25 outdoor alcohol service privileges for licensees under subsection (1)  
26 of this section;

27 (c) A city with a population of more than 400,000 applying for  
28 expanded alcohol service privileges for licensees during events on a  
29 publicly owned civic campus under subsection (2) of this section; and

30 (d) A city, town, county, or port authority designated as a fan  
31 zone or host city applying for expanded alcohol service privileges  
32 for licensees during an event in June or July of 2026 in an approved  
33 area or areas of the jurisdiction.

34 (6) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this  
35 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

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

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

1 (c) "Campus operator" means the person who has primary  
2 responsibility for making managerial or executive decisions relating  
3 to operations and activities at a publicly owned civic campus or the  
4 person's designee.

5 (d) "Publicly owned civic campus" means the buildings,  
6 facilities, grounds, lands, and spaces owned by a city and designated  
7 as a city center, and used for civic, arts, cultural, sports, and  
8 other community and family events and activities, being not more than  
9 75 acres in size on the effective date of this section.

10 **Sec. 3.** RCW 66.24.380 and 2016 c 235 s 2 are each amended to  
11 read as follows:

12 There is a retailer's license to be designated as a special  
13 occasion license to be issued to a not-for-profit society or  
14 organization to sell spirits, beer, and wine by the individual  
15 serving for on-premises consumption at a specified event, such as at  
16 picnics or other special occasions, at a specified date and place;  
17 fee (~~sixty dollars~~) \$60 per day except the board may establish an  
18 additional daily fee for each day of operation at an event conducted  
19 under section 2 (2) or (4) of this act.

20 (1) The not-for-profit society or organization is limited to  
21 sales of no more than (~~twelve~~) 12 calendar days per year, except  
22 that this limitation is waived for participation in any event  
23 conducted under section 2 (2) or (4) of this act which may not count  
24 toward a not-for-profit society or organization's 12 calendar days of  
25 sales. For the purposes of this subsection, special occasion  
26 licensees that are "agricultural area fairs" or "agricultural county,  
27 district, and area fairs," as defined by RCW 15.76.120, that receive  
28 a special occasion license may, once per calendar year, count as one  
29 event fairs that last multiple days, so long as alcohol sales are at  
30 set dates, times, and locations, and the board receives prior  
31 notification of the dates, times, and locations. The special occasion  
32 license applicant will pay the (~~sixty dollars~~) \$60 per day for this  
33 event.

34 (2) The licensee may sell spirits, beer, and/or wine in original,  
35 unopened containers for off-premises consumption if permission is  
36 obtained from the board prior to the event.

37 (3) In addition to offering the sale of wine by the individual  
38 serving for on-premises consumption, the licensee may sell wine in  
39 original, unopened containers for on-premises consumption if



1 permission is obtained from the board prior to the event. The  
2 authorization in this subsection (3) is not available at events  
3 conducted under section 2 (2) or (4) of this act.

4 (4) Sale, service, and consumption of spirits, beer, and wine is  
5 to be confined to specified premises or designated areas only, except  
6 as authorized in section 2 (2) and (4) of this act.

7 (5) Liquor sold under this special occasion license must be  
8 purchased from a licensee of the board.

9 (6) Any violation of this section is a class 1 civil infraction  
10 having a maximum penalty of (~~two hundred fifty dollars~~) \$250 as  
11 provided for in chapter 7.80 RCW. At the board's discretion, repeat  
12 violations at an event authorized under section 2 (2) or (4) of this  
13 act within a two-year period can be cause for denial of a license  
14 under this section or participation in future events.

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

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

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

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

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

1 (4) Licensees that were authorized by statute or rule before  
2 January 1, 2020, to sell growlers for on-premises consumption may  
3 sell growlers for off-premises consumption through takeout or, until  
4 July 1, 2025, delivery. Sale of growlers under this subsection must  
5 meet federal alcohol and tobacco tax and trade bureau requirements.

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

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

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

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

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

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

33 (7) ~~((The))~~ Subject to section 2 of this act, the board must  
34 adopt or revise current rules to allow for outdoor service of alcohol  
35 by on-premises licensees holding licenses issued by the board for the  
36 following license types: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer,  
37 and wine restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries  
38 and microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; ~~((and))~~ private clubs  
39 licensed under RCW 66.24.450 and 66.24.452; and special occasion  
40 licensees under RCW 66.24.380. The board may adopt requirements

1 providing for clear accountability at locations where multiple  
2 licensees use a shared space for serving customers, and at locations  
3 where a licensee or licensees use a shared space with another  
4 business or businesses that do not engage in the sale or service of  
5 alcohol under section 2 of this act.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

31 (12) (~~Prescribing~~) Subject to section 2 of this act,  
32 prescribing the conditions, accommodations, and qualifications  
33 requisite for the obtaining of licenses to sell beer, wines, and  
34 spirits, and regulating the sale of beer, wines, and spirits  
35 thereunder;

36 (13) Specifying and regulating the time and periods when, and the  
37 manner, methods and means by which manufacturers must deliver liquor  
38 within the state; and the time and periods when, and the manner,  
39 methods and means by which liquor may lawfully be conveyed or carried  
40 within the state;

1 (14) Providing for the making of returns by brewers of their  
2 sales of beer shipped within the state, or from the state, showing  
3 the gross amount of such sales and providing for the inspection of  
4 brewers' books and records, and for the checking of the accuracy of  
5 any such returns;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

38 (22) Imposing reasonable requirements on licensees' operations of  
39 alcohol service areas and the sale, service, and consumption of  
40 alcohol, consistent with RCW 66.24.710 and section 2 of this 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 section 2 of this act, no person shall open the package containing  
5 liquor or consume liquor in a public place. Every person who violates  
6 any provision of this section shall be guilty of a class 3 civil  
7 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(3) 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 publicly owned civic campus identified  
29 in section 2(2) of this act in a city with a population of more than  
30 400,000 that has requested and been approved for expanded alcohol  
31 service and that uses the authorization, must report to the  
32 legislature and the liquor and cannabis board by January 1, 2027, and  
33 include a description of the activities conducted, the benefits  
34 realized, and challenges encountered, while this legislation was in  
35 effect.

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

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

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

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

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

17 (2) A city, town, county, or port authority conducting a review  
18 under this section shall submit the results in a report to the liquor  
19 and cannabis board by September 1, 2026.

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

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** If specific funding for the purposes of  
22 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not  
23 provided by June 30, 2025, in the omnibus appropriations act, this  
24 act is null and void.

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