SENATE BILL REPORT SB 5111

As Reported by Senate Committee On: Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection, January 20, 2009

Title: An act relating to beer and wine boutique and gift delivery licenses.

Brief Description: Including off-premises sales for holders of a beer and wine boutique and gift delivery license.

Sponsors: Senators Honeyford, Schoesler, McCaslin and Kohl-Welles.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection: 1/20/09 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Keiser, Vice Chair; Holmquist, Ranking Minority Member; Franklin, Honeyford, King and Kline.

Staff: Mac Nicholson (786-7445)

Background: A business engaged in the sale or sale and delivery of gifts and flowers may obtain a beer and wine gift delivery license, allowing the business to solicit, take orders for, sell, and deliver beer and/or wine. Delivery of beer or wine must be made in conjunction with gifts or flowers and to individuals other than the person placing the order. The license fee for a gift delivery license is \$75 per year.

Summary of Bill: The beer and wine gift delivery license is changed to a beer and wine boutique and gift delivery license. The scope of the license is amended to allow the sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption, and businesses primarily engaged in the sale of wedding merchandise may obtain the license.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

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Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: This bill will help businesses and is good for the economy. Businesses that sell wedding merchandise should be able to sell beer and wine for the wedding as well.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Laura Smith, Everything but the Dress.

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