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## HOUSE BILL 2426

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to prohibiting the issuance of spirits retail
- 2 licenses to certain membership organizations; adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 66.24 RCW; and creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that buying in bulk
- 6 and in supersized packaging, a pattern of activity that is promoted and
- 7 encouraged by membership organizations, increases abusive consumption.
- 8 In order to protect the public interest, advance public safety, and
- 9 prevent abusive consumption of spirits, the Washington state liquor
- 10 control board is explicitly prohibited from issuing spirits retail
- 11 licenses to certain membership organizations.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 66.24 RCW
- 13 to read as follows:
- 14 No spirits retail license may be issued to a grocery store licensee
- 15 that is a membership organization that requires members to be at least
- 16 eighteen years of age.

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