## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1742

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**By** House Government Accountability & Oversight (originally sponsored by Representatives Wylie, Ryu, Hunter, S. Hunt, and Moscoso)

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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing sales of growlers of wine; and amending 2 RCW 66.24.170.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 66.24.170 and 2013 c 238 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 (1) There shall be a license for domestic wineries; fee to be 7 computed only on the liters manufactured: Less than two hundred fifty 8 thousand liters per year, one hundred dollars per year; and two hundred 9 fifty thousand liters or more per year, four hundred dollars per year.

10 (2) The license allows for the manufacture of wine in Washington11 state from grapes or other agricultural products.

(3) Any domestic winery licensed under this section may also act as 12 13 a retailer of wine of its own production. Any domestic winery licensed 14 under this section may act as a distributor of its own production. 15 Notwithstanding any language in this title to the contrary, a domestic 16 winery may use a common carrier to deliver up to one hundred cases of 17 its own production, in the aggregate, per month to licensed Washington 18 A domestic winery may not arrange for any such common retailers. carrier shipments to licensed retailers of wine not of its own 19

production. Except as provided in this section, any winery operating 1 2 as a distributor and/or retailer under this subsection ((shall)) must comply with the applicable laws and rules relating to distributors 3 4 and/or retailers, except that a winery operating as a distributor may maintain a warehouse off the premises of the winery for 5 the distribution of wine of its own production provided that: б (a) The 7 warehouse has been approved by the board under RCW 66.24.010; and (b) 8 the number of warehouses off the premises of the winery does not exceed 9 one.

(4) A domestic winery licensed under this section, at locations 10 separate from any of its production or manufacturing sites, may serve 11 12 samples of its own products, with or without charge, ((and)) may sell 13 wine of its own production at retail, and may sell for off-premises consumption wines of its own production in kegs or sanitary containers 14 meeting the applicable requirements of federal law brought to the 15 premises by the purchaser or furnished by the licensee and filled at 16 the tap at the time of sale, provided that: (a) Each additional 17 location has been approved by the board under RCW 66.24.010; (b) the 18 19 total number of additional locations does not exceed two; (c) a winery may not act as a distributor at any such additional location; and (d) 20 21 any person selling or serving wine at an additional location for on-22 premise consumption must obtain a class 12 or class 13 alcohol server 23 Each additional location is deemed to be part of the winery permit. 24 license for the purpose of this title. At additional locations operated by multiple wineries under this section, if the board cannot 25 26 connect a violation of RCW 66.44.200 or 66.44.270 to a single licensee, 27 the board may hold all licensees operating the additional location 28 jointly liable. Nothing in this subsection ((shall)) may be construed 29 to prevent a domestic winery from holding multiple domestic winery 30 licenses.

(5)(a) A domestic winery licensed under this section may apply to the board for an endorsement to sell wine of its own production at retail for off-premises consumption at a qualifying farmers market. The annual fee for this endorsement is seventy-five dollars. An endorsement issued pursuant to this subsection does not count toward the two additional retail locations limit specified in this section.

(b) For each month during which a domestic winery will sell wine ata qualifying farmers market, the winery must provide the board or its

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designee a list of the dates, times, and locations at which bottled 1 2 wine may be offered for sale. This list must be received by the board before the winery may offer wine for sale at a qualifying farmers 3 4 market.

(c) The wine sold at qualifying farmers markets must be made 5 б entirely from grapes grown in a recognized Washington appellation or from other agricultural products grown in this state. 7

8 (d) Each approved location in a qualifying farmers market is deemed 9 to be part of the winery license for the purpose of this title. The approved locations under an endorsement granted under this subsection 10 11 include tasting or sampling privileges subject to the conditions 12 pursuant to RCW 66.24.175. The winery may not store wine at a farmers 13 market beyond the hours that the winery offers bottled wine for sale. The winery may not act as a distributor from a farmers market location. 14

15 (e) Before a winery may sell bottled wine at a qualifying farmers market, the farmers market must apply to the board for authorization 16 for any winery with an endorsement approved under this subsection to 17 sell bottled wine at retail at the farmers market. This application 18 19 shall include, at a minimum: (i) A map of the farmers market showing all booths, stalls, or other designated locations at which an approved 20 21 winery may sell bottled wine; and (ii) the name and contact information 22 for the on-site market managers who may be contacted by the board or 23 its designee to verify the locations at which bottled wine may be sold. 24 Before authorizing a qualifying farmers market to allow an approved winery to sell bottled wine at retail at its farmers market location, 25 26 the board shall notify the persons or entities of such application for 27 authorization pursuant to RCW 66.24.010 (8) and (9). An authorization granted under this subsection (5)(e) may be withdrawn by the board for 28 29 any violation of this title or any rules adopted under this title.

30 (f) The board may adopt rules establishing the application and approval process under this section and such additional rules as may be 31 32 necessary to implement this section.

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(g) For the purposes of this subsection:

(i) "Qualifying farmers market" means an entity that sponsors a 34 35 regular assembly of vendors at a defined location for the purpose of 36 promoting the sale of agricultural products grown or produced in this 37 state directly to the consumer under conditions that meet the following 38 minimum requirements:

(A) There are at least five participating vendors who are farmers
selling their own agricultural products;

3 (B) The total combined gross annual sales of vendors who are 4 farmers exceeds the total combined gross annual sales of vendors who 5 are processors or resellers;

6 (C) The total combined gross annual sales of vendors who are 7 farmers, processors, or resellers exceeds the total combined gross 8 annual sales of vendors who are not farmers, processors, or resellers;

9 (D) The sale of imported items and secondhand items by any vendor 10 is prohibited; and

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(E) No vendor is a franchisee.

(ii) "Farmer" means a natural person who sells, with or without processing, agricultural products that he or she raises on land he or she owns or leases in this state or in another state's county that borders this state.

16 (iii) "Processor" means a natural person who sells processed food 17 that he or she has personally prepared on land he or she owns or leases 18 in this state or in another state's county that borders this state.

19 (iv) "Reseller" means a natural person who buys agricultural 20 products from a farmer and resells the products directly to the 21 consumer.

(6) Wine produced in Washington state by a domestic winery licensee may be shipped out-of-state for the purpose of making it into sparkling wine and then returned to such licensee for resale. Such wine shall be deemed wine manufactured in the state of Washington for the purposes of RCW 66.24.206, and shall not require a special license.

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