

SENATE BILL 5563

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By Senators West, Pelz and McCaslin

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1 AN ACT Relating to class H liquor licenses issued to hotels
2 operating conference or convention centers or having banquet facilities
3 on property owned or through leasehold interest by the licensed hotel;
4 and amending RCW 66.24.420.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.420 and 1981 1st ex.s. c 5 s 45 are each amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) The class H license shall be issued in accordance with the
9 following schedule of annual fees:

10 (a) The annual fee for said license, if issued to a club, whether
11 inside or outside of incorporated cities and towns, shall be seven
12 hundred dollars.

13 (b) The annual fee for said license, if issued to any other class
14 H licensee in incorporated cities and towns, shall be graduated
15 according to the population thereof as follows:

16	Incorporated	
17	Cities and towns	Fees
18	Less than 20,000	\$1,200
19	20,000 or over	\$2,000

1 (c) The annual fee for said license when issued to any other class
2 H licensee outside of incorporated cities and towns shall be: Two
3 thousand dollars; this fee shall be prorated according to the calendar
4 quarters, or portion thereof, during which the licensee is open for
5 business, except in case of suspension or revocation of the license.

6 (d) Where the license shall be issued to any corporation,
7 association or person operating a bona fide restaurant in an airport
8 terminal facility providing service to transient passengers with more
9 than one place where liquor is to be dispensed and sold, such license
10 shall be issued upon the payment of the annual fee, which shall be a
11 master license and shall permit such sale within and from one such
12 place. Such license may be extended to additional places on the
13 premises at the discretion of the board and a duplicate license may be
14 issued for each such additional place: PROVIDED, That the holder of a
15 master license for a restaurant in an airport terminal facility shall
16 be required to maintain in a substantial manner at least one place on
17 the premises for preparing, cooking and serving of complete meals, and
18 such food service shall be available on request in other licensed
19 places on the premises: PROVIDED, FURTHER, That an additional license
20 fee of twenty-five percent of the annual master license fee shall be
21 required for such duplicate licenses.

22 (e) Where the license shall be issued to any corporation,
23 association, or person operating dining places at publicly owned civic
24 centers with facilities for sports, entertainment, and conventions,
25 with more than one place where liquor is to be dispensed and sold, such
26 license shall be issued upon the payment of the annual fee, which shall
27 be a master license and shall permit such sale within and from one such
28 place. Such license may be extended to additional places on the
29 premises at the discretion of the board and a duplicate license may be
30 issued for each such additional place: PROVIDED, That the holder of a
31 master license for a dining place at such a publicly owned civic center
32 shall be required to maintain in a substantial manner at least one
33 place on the premises for preparing, cooking and serving of complete
34 meals, and food service shall be available on request in other licensed
35 places on the premises: PROVIDED FURTHER, That an additional license
36 fee of ten dollars shall be required for such duplicate licenses.

37 (f) Where the license shall be issued to any corporation,
38 association or person operating more than one building containing
39 dining places at privately owned facilities which are open to the

1 public and where there is a continuity of ownership of all adjacent
2 property, such license shall be issued upon the payment of an annual
3 fee which shall be a master license and shall permit such sale within
4 and from one such place. Such license may be extended to the
5 additional dining places on the property or, in the case of a class H
6 licensed hotel, property owned or controlled by leasehold interest by
7 that hotel for use as a conference or convention center or banquet
8 facility open to the general public for special events in the same
9 metropolitan area, at the discretion of the board and a duplicate
10 license may be issued for each additional place: PROVIDED, That the
11 holder of the master license for the dining place shall not offer
12 alcoholic beverages for sale, service, and consumption at the
13 additional place unless food service is available at both the location
14 of the master license and the duplicate license: PROVIDED FURTHER,
15 That an additional license fee of twenty dollars shall be required for
16 such duplicate licenses.

17 (2) The board, so far as in its judgment is reasonably possible,
18 shall confine class H licenses to the business districts of cities and
19 towns and other communities, and not grant such licenses in residential
20 districts, nor within the immediate vicinity of schools, without being
21 limited in the administration of this subsection to any specific
22 distance requirements.

23 (3) The board shall have discretion to issue class H licenses
24 outside of cities and towns in the state of Washington. The purpose of
25 this subsection is to enable the board, in its discretion, to license
26 in areas outside of cities and towns and other communities,
27 establishments which are operated and maintained primarily for the
28 benefit of tourists, vacationers and travelers, and also golf and
29 country clubs, and common carriers operating dining, club and buffet
30 cars, or boats.

31 (4) The total number of class H licenses issued in the state of
32 Washington by the board, not including those class H licenses issued to
33 clubs, shall not in the aggregate at any time exceed one license for
34 each fifteen hundred of population in the state, determined according
35 to the yearly population determination developed by the office of
36 financial management pursuant to RCW 43.62.030.

37 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (4) of this
38 section, the board shall refuse a class H license to any applicant if
39 in the opinion of the board the class H licenses already granted for

1 the particular locality are adequate for the reasonable needs of the
2 community.

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