

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 2341**

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LIQUOR STORES--CREDIT CARD USE STUDY AND TEST

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Yeas 54 Nays 43

CLYDE BALLARD  
**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

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Yeas 36 Nays 12

JOEL PRITCHARD  
**President of the Senate**

Approved March 30, 1996

MIKE LOWRY  
**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2341** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

TIMOTHY A. MARTIN  
**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By Representatives Cooke, Appelwick and L. Thomas

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1            AN ACT Relating to studying and testing the use of credit cards in  
2 state liquor stores; amending RCW 66.16.040 and 66.08.026; and creating  
3 a new section.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.16.040 and 1995 c 16 s 1 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            Except as otherwise provided by law, an employee in a state liquor  
8 store or agency may sell liquor to any person of legal age to purchase  
9 alcoholic beverages and may also sell to holders of permits such liquor  
10 as may be purchased under such permits.

11            Where there may be a question of a person's right to purchase  
12 liquor by reason of age, such person shall be required to present any  
13 one of the following officially issued cards of identification which  
14 shows his/her correct age and bears his/her signature and photograph:

15            (1) Liquor control authority card of identification of any state or  
16 province of Canada.

17            (2) Driver's license, instruction permit or identification card of  
18 any state or province of Canada, or "identocard" issued by the  
19 Washington state department of licensing pursuant to RCW 46.20.117.

1 (3) United States armed forces identification card issued to active  
2 duty, reserve, and retired personnel and the personnel's dependents.

3 (4) Passport.

4 (5) Merchant Marine identification card issued by the United States  
5 Coast Guard.

6 The board may adopt such regulations as it deems proper covering  
7 the acceptance of such cards of identification.

8 No liquor sold under this section shall be delivered until the  
9 purchaser has paid for the liquor in cash, except as allowed under  
10 section 2 of this act. The use of a personal credit card does not rely  
11 upon the credit of the state as prohibited by Article VIII, section 5  
12 of the state Constitution.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The state liquor control board shall  
14 allow credit card purchases in a pilot project to study and test the  
15 use of credit cards in state liquor stores. In order to conduct the  
16 pilot project, the board shall, by rule:

- 17 (a) Establish the criteria for selecting store test sites;  
18 (b) Limit the pilot project to eighteen months in duration;  
19 (c) Include no more than twenty stores;  
20 (d) Include the use of debit cards; and  
21 (e) Allow only nonlicensees to make credit card purchases.

22 (2) The board shall provide a report of the results to the  
23 legislature by January 1, 1998.

24 **Sec. 3.** RCW 66.08.026 and 1983 c 160 s 2 are each amended to read  
25 as follows:

26 All administrative expenses of the board incurred on and after  
27 April 1, 1963 shall be appropriated and paid from the liquor revolving  
28 fund. These administrative expenses shall include, but not be limited  
29 to: The salaries and expenses of the board and its employees, the cost  
30 of establishing, leasing, maintaining, and operating state liquor  
31 stores and warehouses, legal services, pilot projects, annual or other  
32 audits, and other general costs of conducting the business of the  
33 board. The administrative expenses shall not, however, be deemed to  
34 include costs of liquor and lottery tickets purchased, the cost of  
35 transportation and delivery to the point of distribution, other costs  
36 pertaining to the acquisition and receipt of liquor and lottery  
37 tickets, packaging and repackaging of liquor, sales tax, and those

1 amounts distributed pursuant to RCW 66.08.180, 66.08.190, 66.08.200,  
2 66.08.210 and 66.08.220.

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