
SENATE BILL 6253

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By Senators Schow, Horn, Swecker, Rasmussen and Goings

Read first time . Referred to Committee on .

1 AN ACT Relating to credit and debit card purchases in state liquor
2 stores; and amending RCW 66.08.026 and 66.16.041.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.08.026 and 1997 c 148 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 All administrative expenses of the board incurred on and after
7 April 1, 1963 shall be appropriated and paid from the liquor revolving
8 fund. These administrative expenses shall include, but not be limited
9 to: The salaries and expenses of the board and its employees, the cost
10 of establishing, leasing, maintaining, and operating state liquor
11 stores and warehouses, legal services, pilot projects, annual or other
12 audits, and other general costs of conducting the business of the
13 board. The administrative expenses shall not, however, be deemed to
14 include costs of liquor and lottery tickets purchased, the cost of
15 transportation and delivery to the point of distribution, other costs
16 pertaining to the acquisition and receipt of liquor and lottery
17 tickets, packaging and repackaging of liquor, transaction fees
18 associated with credit card purchases for liquor in state liquor stores
19 and in the stores of agency liquor vendors pursuant to RCW 66.16.040

1 and 66.16.041, sales tax, and those amounts distributed pursuant to RCW
2 66.08.180, 66.08.190, 66.08.200, 66.08.210 and 66.08.220.

3 **Sec. 2.** RCW 66.16.041 and 1997 c 148 s 2 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 ~~((1))~~ The state liquor control board shall adopt rules that
6 authorize state liquor stores and agency liquor vendors to accept bank
7 credit cards and debit cards from nonlicensees for liquor purchases
8 ~~((in state liquor stores, under such rules as the board may adopt))~~.
9 The board shall authorize liquor vendors appointed under RCW 66.08.050
10 to accept bank credit cards and debit cards for liquor purchases under
11 this title, under such rules as the board may adopt.

12 (2) The board shall provide a report evaluating the implementation
13 of this section to the appropriate committees of the legislature by
14 January 1, 1998, so long as those rules facilitate liquor control board
15 reimbursement of agency liquor vendors for installation costs,
16 administrative fees, transportation fees, and other fees associated
17 with credit card purchases of liquor authorized under this section and
18 RCW 66.16.040.

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