
SENATE BILL 5504

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By Senators Hewitt and Hasegawa

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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing additional liquor distributor
2 employees to stock liquor under certain circumstances; and amending
3 RCW 66.44.318.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.44.318 and 1995 c 100 s 2 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) Except as provided in this section, nothing is construed to
8 permit a nonretail class liquor licensee's employee between the ages
9 of eighteen and twenty-one years to handle, transport, or otherwise
10 possess liquor.

11 (2) Licensees holding nonretail class liquor licenses are
12 permitted to allow their employees between (~~the~~) the ages of
13 eighteen and twenty-one years to stock, merchandise, and handle
14 (~~beer or wine~~) liquor on or about the:

15 (a) Nonretail premises if there is an adult twenty-one years of
16 age or older on duty supervising such activities on the premises; and

17 (b) Retail licensee's premises as long as there is an adult
18 twenty-one years of age or older, employed by the retail licensee,
19 and present at the retail licensee's premises during the activities
20 described in this subsection (2).

1 (3) Any act or omission of the nonretail class liquor licensee's
2 employee occurring at or about the retail licensee's premises, which
3 violates any provision of this title, is the sole responsibility of
4 the nonretail class liquor licensee.

5 (4) Nothing in this section absolves the retail licensee from
6 responsibility for the acts or omissions of its own employees who
7 violate any provision of this title.

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