
SENATE BILL 5486

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1 AN ACT Relating to contests or promotions or other forms of
2 recreational activity involving exploitation that endanger the
3 health, safety, and welfare of any person with dwarfism; adding a new
4 section to chapter 66.28 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35.21
5 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.21 RCW; adding a new section
6 to chapter 36.01 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 66.28
9 RCW to read as follows:

10 (1) No holder of a retail license to sell liquor may allow or
11 permit any contest or promotion or other form of recreational
12 activity involving exploitation that endangers the health, safety,
13 and welfare of any person with dwarfism.

14 (2) The board may suspend or revoke the licensee's license to
15 sell alcoholic beverages and impose a fine of up to one thousand
16 dollars per contest or event, for any retail licensee who violates
17 this section.

18 (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "dwarfism" means a
19 condition of being abnormally small that is caused by heredity,
20 endocrine dysfunction, renal insufficiency or deficiency, or skeletal

1 disease that results in disproportionate short stature and adult
2 height of less than four feet ten inches.

3 (4) The board may adopt rules to implement this section.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 35.21
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Adult entertainment venues, with performances that contain
7 erotic material where minors under the age of eighteen are prohibited
8 under RCW 9.68A.150, may not allow or permit any contest or promotion
9 or other form of recreational activity involving exploitation that
10 endangers the health, safety, and welfare of any person with
11 dwarfism.

12 (2) Any city or town may suspend or revoke the business license
13 and impose a fine of up to one thousand dollars per contest or event,
14 for any business that violates this section.

15 (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "dwarfism" means a
16 condition of being abnormally small that is caused by heredity,
17 endocrine dysfunction, renal insufficiency or deficiency, or skeletal
18 disease that results in disproportionate short stature and adult
19 height of less than four feet ten inches.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 35A.21
21 RCW to read as follows:

22 (1) Adult entertainment venues, with performances that contain
23 erotic material where minors under the age of eighteen are prohibited
24 under RCW 9.68A.150, may not allow or permit any contest or promotion
25 or other form of recreational activity involving exploitation that
26 endangers the health, safety, and welfare of any person with
27 dwarfism.

28 (2) Any code city may suspend or revoke the business license and
29 impose a fine of up to one thousand dollars per contest or event, for
30 any business that violates this section.

31 (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "dwarfism" means a
32 condition of being abnormally small that is caused by heredity,
33 endocrine dysfunction, renal insufficiency or deficiency, or skeletal
34 disease that results in disproportionate short stature and adult
35 height of less than four feet ten inches.

36 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 36.01
37 RCW to read as follows:

1 (1) Adult entertainment venues, with performances that contain
2 erotic material where minors under the age of eighteen are prohibited
3 under RCW 9.68A.150, may not allow or permit any contest or promotion
4 or other form of recreational activity involving exploitation that
5 endangers the health, safety, and welfare of any person with
6 dwarfism.

7 (2) Any county may suspend or revoke the business license and
8 impose a fine of up to one thousand dollars per contest or event, for
9 any business that violates this section.

10 (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "dwarfism" means a
11 condition of being abnormally small that is caused by heredity,
12 endocrine dysfunction, renal insufficiency or deficiency, or skeletal
13 disease that results in disproportionate short stature and adult
14 height of less than four feet ten inches.

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