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**SENATE BILL 5132**

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**State of Washington 65th Legislature 2017 Regular Session**

**By** Senators Rivers, Conway, Keiser, and Chase; by request of Liquor and Cannabis Board

AN ACT Relating to liquor enforcement officers' powers; and amending RCW 66.44.010.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 66.44.010 and 1998 c 18 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) All county and municipal peace officers are hereby charged with the duty of investigating and prosecuting all violations of this title, and the penal laws of this state relating to the manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor, and all fines imposed for violations of this title and the penal laws of this state relating to the manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor shall belong to the county, city or town wherein the court imposing the fine is located, and shall be placed in the general fund for payment of the salaries of those engaged in the enforcement of the provisions of this title and the penal laws of this state relating to the manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor: PROVIDED, That all fees, fines, forfeitures and penalties collected or assessed by a district court because of the violation of a state law shall be remitted as provided in chapter 3.62 RCW as now exists or is later amended.

(2) In addition to any and all other powers granted, the board shall have the power to enforce the penal provisions of this title and the penal and traffic laws of this state relating to and associated with the manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor, marijuana under chapter 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and 70.158 RCW, and vapor products under chapter 70.345 RCW; and patron conduct in and around locations licensed by the board.

(3) In addition to the other duties under this section, the board shall enforce chapters 82.24 and 82.26 RCW.

(4) The board may appoint and employ, assign to duty and fix the compensation of, officers to be designated as liquor enforcement officers. Such liquor enforcement officers shall have the power, under the supervision of the board, to enforce the penal provisions of this title and the penal and traffic laws of this state relating to and associated with the manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor, marijuana under chapter 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and 70.158 RCW, and vapor products under chapter 70.345 RCW; and patron conduct in and around locations licensed by the board. They shall have the power and authority to serve and execute all warrants and process of law issued by the courts in enforcing the penal provisions of this title or of any penal law of this state relating to the manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor, marijuana under chapter 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and 70.158 RCW, and vapor products under chapter 70.345 RCW, and the provisions of chapters 82.24 and 82.26 RCW. They shall have the power to arrest without a warrant any person or persons found in the act of violating any of the penal provisions of this title or of any penal law of this state relating to the manufacture, importation, transportation, possession, distribution and sale of liquor, marijuana under chapter 69.50 RCW, tobacco under chapters 70.155 and 70.158 RCW, and vapor products under chapter 70.345 RCW, and the provisions of chapters 82.24 and 82.26 RCW, and patron conduct in and around locations licensed by the board.

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