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1 On page 3, after line 15, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 2. RCW 66.24.655 and 2013 c 237 s 1 are each amended to 3 read as follows:

4 (1) There is a theater license to sell spirits, beer, including strong beer, or wine, or all, at retail, for consumption on theater 5 premises. A spirits, beer, and wine theater license may be issued б 7 ((only)) to theaters ((that have no more than one hundred twenty seats per screen and)) that are maintained in a substantial manner as 8 9 a place for preparing, cooking, and serving complete meals ((and providing tabletop accommodations for in-theater dining)). 10 11 Requirements for complete meals are the same as those adopted by the 12 board in rules pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW for a spirits, beer, and 13 wine restaurant license authorized by RCW 66.24.400. The annual fee 14 for a spirits, beer, and wine theater license is two thousand 15 dollars.

16 (2) If the theater premises is to be frequented by minors, an 17 alcohol control plan must be submitted to the board at the time of 18 application. The alcohol control plan must be approved by the board 19 and be prominently posted on the premises, prior to minors being 20 allowed.

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(3) For the purposes of this section:

(a) "Alcohol control plan" means a written, dated, and signed plan submitted to the board by an applicant or licensee for the entire theater premises, or rooms or areas therein, that shows where and when alcohol is permitted, where and when minors are permitted, and the control measures used to ensure that minors are not able to obtain alcohol or be exposed to environments where drinking alcohol predominates.

(b) "Theater" means a place of business where motion pictures orother primarily nonparticipatory entertainment are shown.

31 (4) The board must adopt rules regarding alcohol control plans32 and necessary control measures to ensure that minors are not able to

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obtain alcohol or be exposed to areas where drinking alcohol predominates. All alcohol control plans must include a requirement that any person involved in the serving of spirits, beer, and/or wine must have completed a mandatory alcohol server training program.

(5)(a) A licensee that is an entity that is exempt from taxation 5 б under Title 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue 7 code of 1986, as amended as of January 1, 2013, may enter into arrangements with a spirits, beer, or wine manufacturer, importer, or 8 distributor for brand advertising at the theater or promotion of 9 events held at the theater. The financial arrangements providing for 10 11 the brand advertising or promotion of events may not be used as an 12 inducement to purchase the products of the manufacturer, importer, or distributor entering into the arrangement and such arrangements may 13 14 not result in the exclusion of brands or products of other companies.

(b) The arrangements allowed under this subsection (5) are an 15 16 exception to arrangements prohibited under RCW 66.28.305. The board 17 must monitor the impacts of these arrangements. The board may conduct audits of a licensee and the affiliated business to determine 18 compliance with this subsection (5). Audits may include, but are not 19 limited to: Product selection at the facility; purchase patterns of 20 21 the licensee; contracts with the spirits, beer, or wine manufacturer, importer, or distributor; and the amount allocated or used for 22 spirits, beer, or wine advertising by the licensee, affiliated 23 24 business, manufacturer, importer, or distributor under the 25 arrangements.

(6) The maximum penalties prescribed by the board in WAC 314-29-020 relating to fines and suspensions are double for violations involving minors or the failure to follow the alcohol control plan with respect to theaters licensed under this section.

30 **Sec. 3.** RCW 66.24.650 and 2013 c 219 s 1 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

32 (1) There is a theater license to sell beer, including strong 33 beer, or wine, or both, at retail, for consumption on theater 34 premises. The annual fee is four hundred dollars for a beer and wine 35 theater license.

36 (2) If the theater premises is to be frequented by minors, an 37 alcohol control plan must be submitted to the board at the time of 38 application. The alcohol control plan must be approved by the board,

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and be prominently posted on the premises, prior to minors being
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(3) For the purposes of this section:

4 (a) "Alcohol control plan" means a written, dated, and signed 5 plan submitted to the board by an applicant or licensee for the 6 entire theater premises, or rooms or areas therein, that shows where 7 and when alcohol is permitted, where and when minors are permitted, 8 and the control measures used to ensure that minors are not able to 9 obtain alcohol or be exposed to environments where drinking alcohol 10 predominates.

(b) "Theater" means a place of business where motion pictures or other primarily nonparticipatory entertainment are shown((, and includes only theaters with up to four screens)).

14 (4) The board must adopt rules regarding alcohol control plans 15 and necessary control measures to ensure that minors are not able to 16 obtain alcohol or be exposed to areas where drinking alcohol 17 predominates. All alcohol control plans must include a requirement 18 that any person involved in the serving of beer and/or wine must have 19 completed a mandatory alcohol server training program.

(5)(a) A licensee that is an entity that is exempt from taxation 20 under Title 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue 21 22 code of 1986, as amended as of January 1, 2013, may enter into arrangements with a beer or wine manufacturer, importer, 23 or distributor for brand advertising at the theater or promotion of 24 25 events held at the theater. The financial arrangements providing for 26 the brand advertising or promotion of events may not be used as an inducement to purchase the products of the manufacturer, importer, or 27 distributor entering into the arrangement and such arrangements may 28 29 not result in the exclusion of brands or products of other companies.

(b) The arrangements allowed under this subsection (5) are an 30 31 exception to arrangements prohibited under RCW 66.28.305. The board 32 must monitor the impacts of these arrangements. The board may conduct audits of a licensee and the affiliated business to determine 33 compliance with this subsection (5). Audits may include, but are not 34 limited to: Product selection at the facility; purchase patterns of 35 36 the licensee; contracts with the beer or wine manufacturer, importer, or distributor; and the amount allocated or used for wine or beer 37 advertising by the licensee, affiliated business, manufacturer, 38 39 importer, or distributor under the arrangements.

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1 (6) The maximum penalties prescribed by the board in WAC 2 314-29-020 relating to fines and suspensions are double for 3 violations involving minors or the failure to follow the alcohol 4 control plan with respect to theaters licensed under this section."

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5 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "Relating to" strike the 6 remainder of the title and insert "liquor licenses; and amending RCW 7 66.24.330, 66.24.655, and 66.24.650."

EFFECT: The criteria for the issuance of a spirits, beer, and wine theater license are revised. The theaters may have more than 120 seats per screen and the theaters do not have to provide tabletop accommodations for in-theater dining. The criteria for the issuance of a beer, strong beer, and wine theater license is modified to remove the current limit of four movie screens per theater.

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