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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a special permit for certain wine
2 auctions; and reenacting and amending RCW 66.20.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.20.010 and 2016 c 235 s 6 and 2016 c 129 s 1 are
5 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

6 Upon application in the prescribed form being made to any
7 employee authorized by the board to issue permits, accompanied by
8 payment of the prescribed fee, and upon the employee being satisfied
9 that the applicant should be granted a permit under this title, the
10 employee must issue to the applicant under such regulations and at
11 such fee as may be prescribed by the board a permit of the class
12 applied for, as follows:

13 (1) Where the application is for a special permit by a physician
14 or dentist, or by any person in charge of an institution regularly
15 conducted as a hospital or sanitorium for the care of persons in ill
16 health, or as a home devoted exclusively to the care of aged people,
17 a special liquor purchase permit, except that the governor may waive
18 the requirement for a special liquor purchase permit under this
19 subsection pursuant to an order issued under RCW 43.06.220(2);

20 (2) Where the application is for a special permit by a person
21 engaged within the state in mechanical or manufacturing business or

1 in scientific pursuits requiring alcohol for use therein, or by any
2 private individual, a special permit to purchase alcohol for the
3 purpose named in the permit, except that the governor may waive the
4 requirement for a special liquor purchase permit under this
5 subsection pursuant to an order issued under RCW 43.06.220(2);

6 (3) Where the application is for a special permit to consume
7 liquor at a banquet, at a specified date and place, a special permit
8 to purchase liquor for consumption at such banquet, to such
9 applicants as may be fixed by the board;

10 (4) Where the application is for a special permit to consume
11 liquor on the premises of a business not licensed under this title, a
12 special permit to purchase liquor for consumption thereon for such
13 periods of time and to such applicants as may be fixed by the board;

14 (5) Where the application is for a special permit by a
15 manufacturer to import or purchase within the state alcohol, malt,
16 and other materials containing alcohol to be used in the manufacture
17 of liquor, or other products, a special permit;

18 (6) Where the application is for a special permit by a person
19 operating a drug store to purchase liquor at retail prices only, to
20 be thereafter sold by such person on the prescription of a physician,
21 a special liquor purchase permit, except that the governor may waive
22 the requirement for a special liquor purchase permit under this
23 subsection pursuant to an order issued under RCW 43.06.220(2);

24 (7) Where the application is for a special permit by an
25 authorized representative of a military installation operated by or
26 for any of the armed forces within the geographical boundaries of the
27 state of Washington, a special permit to purchase liquor for use on
28 such military installation;

29 (8) Where the application is for a special permit by a vendor
30 that manufactures or sells a product which cannot be effectively
31 presented to potential buyers without serving it with liquor or by a
32 manufacturer, importer, or distributor, or representative thereof, to
33 serve liquor without charge to delegates and guests at a convention
34 of a trade association composed of licensees of the board, when the
35 said liquor is served in a hospitality room or from a booth in a
36 board-approved suppliers' display room at the convention, and when
37 the liquor so served is for consumption in the said hospitality room
38 or display room during the convention, anything in this title to the
39 contrary notwithstanding. Any such spirituous liquor must be
40 purchased from a spirits retailer or distributor, and any such liquor

1 is subject to the taxes imposed by RCW 82.08.150, 66.24.290, and
2 66.24.210;

3 (9) Where the application is for a special permit by a
4 manufacturer, importer, or distributor, or representative thereof, to
5 donate liquor for a reception, breakfast, luncheon, or dinner for
6 delegates and guests at a convention of a trade association composed
7 of licensees of the board, when the liquor so donated is for
8 consumption at the said reception, breakfast, luncheon, or dinner
9 during the convention, anything in this title to the contrary
10 notwithstanding. Any such spirituous liquor must be purchased from a
11 spirits retailer or distributor, and any such liquor is subject to
12 the taxes imposed by RCW 82.08.150, 66.24.290, and 66.24.210;

13 (10) Where the application is for a special permit by a
14 manufacturer, importer, or distributor, or representative thereof, to
15 donate and/or serve liquor without charge to delegates and guests at
16 an international trade fair, show, or exposition held under the
17 auspices of a federal, state, or local governmental entity or
18 organized and promoted by a nonprofit organization, anything in this
19 title to the contrary notwithstanding. Any such spirituous liquor
20 must be purchased from a liquor spirits retailer or distributor, and
21 any such liquor is subject to the taxes imposed by RCW 82.08.150,
22 66.24.290, and 66.24.210;

23 (11) Where the application is for an annual special permit by a
24 person operating a bed and breakfast lodging facility to donate or
25 serve wine or beer without charge to overnight guests of the facility
26 if the wine or beer is for consumption on the premises of the
27 facility. "Bed and breakfast lodging facility," as used in this
28 subsection, means a facility offering from one to eight lodging units
29 and breakfast to travelers and guests;

30 (12) Where the application is for a special permit to allow
31 tasting of alcohol by persons at least eighteen years of age under
32 the following circumstances:

33 (a) The application is from a community or technical college as
34 defined in RCW 28B.50.030, a regional university, or a state
35 university;

36 (b) The person who is permitted to taste under this subsection is
37 enrolled as a student in a required or elective class that is part of
38 a culinary, sommelier, wine business, enology, viticulture, wine
39 technology, beer technology, or spirituous technology-related degree
40 program;

1 (c) The alcohol served to any person in the degree-related
2 programs under (b) of this subsection is tasted but not consumed for
3 the purposes of educational training as part of the class curriculum
4 with the approval of the educational provider;

5 (d) The service and tasting of alcoholic beverages is supervised
6 by a faculty or staff member of the educational provider who is
7 twenty-one years of age or older. The supervising faculty or staff
8 member shall possess a class 12 or 13 alcohol server permit under the
9 provisions of RCW 66.20.310;

10 (e) The enrolled student permitted to taste the alcoholic
11 beverages does not purchase the alcoholic beverages; and

12 (f) The permit fee for the special permit provided for in this
13 subsection (12) must be waived by the board;

14 (13) Where the application is for a special permit by a
15 distillery or craft distillery for an event not open to the general
16 public to be held or conducted at a specific place, including at the
17 licensed premise of the applying distillery or craft distillery, upon
18 a specific date for the purpose of tasting and selling spirits of its
19 own production. The distillery or craft distillery must obtain a
20 permit for a fee of ten dollars per event. An application for the
21 permit must be submitted for private banquet permits prior to the
22 event and, once issued, must be posted in a conspicuous place at the
23 premises for which the permit was issued during all times the permit
24 is in use. No licensee may receive more than twelve permits under
25 this subsection (13) each year;

26 (14) Where the application is for a special permit by a
27 manufacturer of wine for an event not open to the general public to
28 be held or conducted at a specific place upon a specific date for the
29 purpose of tasting and selling wine of its own production. The winery
30 must obtain a permit for a fee of ten dollars per event. An
31 application for the permit must be submitted at least ten days before
32 the event and once issued, must be posted in a conspicuous place at
33 the premises for which the permit was issued during all times the
34 permit is in use. No more than twelve events per year may be held by
35 a single manufacturer under this subsection;

36 (15) Where the application is for a special permit by a
37 manufacturer of beer for an event not open to the general public to
38 be held or conducted at a specific place upon a specific date for the
39 purpose of tasting and selling beer of its own production. The
40 brewery or microbrewery must obtain a permit for a fee of ten dollars

1 per event. An application for the permit must be submitted at least
2 ten days before the event and, once issued, must be posted in a
3 conspicuous place at the premises for which the permit was issued
4 during all times the permit is in use. No more than twelve events per
5 year may be held by a single manufacturer under this subsection;

6 (16) Where the application is for a special permit by an
7 individual or business to sell a private collection of wine or
8 spirits to an individual or business. The seller must obtain a permit
9 at least five business days before the sale, for a fee of twenty-five
10 dollars per sale. The seller must provide an inventory of products
11 sold and the agreed price on a form provided by the board. The seller
12 shall submit the report and taxes due to the board no later than
13 twenty calendar days after the sale. A permit may be issued under
14 this section to allow the sale of a private collection to licensees,
15 but may not be issued to a licensee to sell to a private individual
16 or business which is not otherwise authorized under the license held
17 by the seller. If the liquor is purchased by a licensee, all sales
18 are subject to taxes assessed as on liquor acquired from any other
19 source. The board may adopt rules to implement this section.

20 (17)(a) A special permit, where the application is for a special
21 permit by a nonprofit organization to sell wine through an auction,
22 not open to the public, to be conducted at a specific place, upon a
23 specific date, and to allow wine tastings at the auction of the wine
24 to be auctioned.

25 (b) A permit holder under this subsection (17) may at the
26 specified event:

27 (i) Sell wine by auction for off-premises consumption; and
28 (ii) Allow tastings of samples of the wine to be auctioned at the
29 event.

30 (c) An application is required for a permit under this subsection
31 (17). The application must be submitted prior to the event and once
32 issued must be posted in a conspicuous place at the premises for
33 which the permit was issued during all times the permit is in use.

34 (d) Wine from more than one winery may be sold at the auction;
35 however, each winery selling wine at the auction must be listed on
36 the permit application. Only a single application form may be
37 required for each auction, regardless of the number of wineries that
38 are selling wine at the auction. The total fee per event for a permit
39 issued under this subsection (17) is twenty-seven dollars multiplied
40 by the number of wineries that are selling wine at the auction.

1 (e) For the purposes of this subsection (17), "nonprofit
2 organization" means an entity incorporated as a nonprofit
3 organization under Washington state law.

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

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