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1 AN ACT Relating to persons under the age of twenty-one who are  
2 apparently under the influence of alcohol in a public place; amending  
3 RCW 66.44.270; and prescribing penalties.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.44.270 and 1987 c 458 s 3 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (1) It is unlawful for any person to sell, give, or otherwise  
8 supply liquor to any person under the age of twenty-one years or permit  
9 any person under that age to consume liquor on his or her premises or  
10 on any premises under his or her control.

11 (2) It is unlawful for any person under the age of twenty-one years  
12 to possess, consume, or otherwise acquire any liquor, or to be in a  
13 public place as defined in RCW 66.04.010 or to be in a motor vehicle  
14 that is in a public place after having consumed alcohol unless in the

1 presence of a parent or guardian and having consumed alcohol under  
2 circumstances described in subsection (3), (4), or (5) of this section.

3 (3) This section does not apply to liquor given or permitted to be  
4 given to a person under the age of twenty-one years by a parent or  
5 guardian and consumed in the presence of the parent or guardian. This  
6 subsection shall not authorize consumption or possession of liquor by  
7 a person under the age of twenty-one years on any premises licensed  
8 under chapter 66.24 RCW.

9 (4) This section does not apply to liquor given for medicinal  
10 purposes to a person under the age of twenty-one years by a parent,  
11 guardian, physician, or dentist.

12 (5) This section does not apply to liquor given to a person under  
13 the age of twenty-one years when such liquor is being used in  
14 connection with religious services and the amount consumed is the  
15 minimal amount necessary for the religious service.

16 (6) Conviction or forfeiture of bail for a violation of this  
17 section by a person under the age of twenty-one years at the time of  
18 such conviction or forfeiture shall not be a disqualification of that  
19 person to acquire a license to sell or dispense any liquor after that  
20 person has attained the age of twenty-one years.