SENATE BILL 5732

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to liquor licenses; amending RCW 66.24.380 and
- 2 66.28.010; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.380 and 1988 c 200 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- There shall be a beer retailer's license to be designated as class
- 7 G; a special license to a society or organization to sell beer at
- 8 picnics or other special occasions at a specified date and place; fee
- 9 thirty-five dollars per day. Sale, service, and consumption of beer is
- 10 to be confined to specified premises or designated areas only.
- 11 However, a holder of a class G license may sell, at no more than two
- 12 licensed events each year to members and quests in attendance at the
- 13 special occasion, limited quantities of beer in unopened bottles and
- 14 <u>original packages not exceeding four gallons of malt liquor in kegs or</u>
- 15 other containers, not to be consumed on the premises where sold, by
- 16 paying an additional fee of ten dollars a day. The board shall adopt
- 17 rules under chapter 34.05 RCW for the purpose of carrying out the
- 18 provisions of this section.

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1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 66.28.010 and 1992 c 78 s 1 are each amended to read 2 as follows:

3 (1) No manufacturer, importer, or wholesaler, or person financially 4 interested, directly or indirectly, in such business, whether resident or nonresident, shall have any financial interest, direct or indirect, 5 in any licensed retail business, nor shall any manufacturer, importer, 6 7 or wholesaler own any of the property upon which such licensed persons 8 conduct their business, nor shall any such licensed person, under any 9 arrangement whatsoever, conduct his business upon property in which any 10 manufacturer, importer, or wholesaler has any interest. provided in subsection (3) of this section, no manufacturer, importer, 11 12 or wholesaler shall advance moneys or moneys' worth to a licensed 13 person under an arrangement, nor shall such licensed person receive, under an arrangement, an advance of moneys or moneys' worth: PROVIDED, 14 15 That "person" as used in this section only shall not include those 16 state or federally chartered banks, state or federally chartered savings and loan associations, state or federally chartered mutual 17 savings banks, or institutional investors which are not controlled 18 19 directly or indirectly by a manufacturer, importer, or wholesaler as long as the bank, savings and loan association, or institutional 20 investor does not influence or attempt to influence the purchasing 21 practices of the retailer with respect to alcoholic beverages. 22 23 manufacturer, importer, or wholesaler shall be eligible to receive or 24 hold a retail license under this title, nor shall such manufacturer, 25 importer, or wholesaler sell at retail any liquor as herein defined: 26 PROVIDED, That nothing in this section shall prohibit a licensed brewer 27 from being licensed as a retailer pursuant to chapter 66.24 RCW for the purpose of selling beer or wine at retail on the brewery premises and 28 nothing in this section shall prohibit a domestic winery from being 29 30 licensed as a retailer pursuant to chapter 66.24 RCW for the purpose of selling beer or wine at retail on the winery premises. Such beer and 31 wine so sold at retail shall be subject to the taxes imposed by RCW 32 66.24.290 and 66.24.210 and to reporting and bonding requirements as 33 prescribed by regulations adopted by the board pursuant to chapter 34 35 34.05 RCW, and beer and wine that is not produced by the brewery or winery shall be purchased from a licensed beer or wine wholesaler: 36 37 PROVIDED FURTHER, That nothing in this section shall prohibit a licensed brewer or domestic winery, or a lessee of a licensed brewer or 38 39 domestic winery, from being licensed as a class H restaurant pursuant

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to chapter 66.24 RCW for the purpose of selling liquor at a class H 1 premises on the property on which the primary manufacturing facility of 2 the licensed brewer or domestic winery is located or on contiquous 3 4 property owned by the licensed brewer or domestic winery as prescribed by regulations adopted by the board pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW.

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- (2) Financial interest, direct or indirect, as used in this section, shall include any interest, whether by stock ownership, mortgage, lien, or through interlocking directors, or otherwise. Pursuant to rules promulgated by the board in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW manufacturers, wholesalers and importers may perform, and retailers may accept the service of building, rotating and restocking case displays and stock room inventories; rotating and rearranging can and bottle displays of their own products; provide point of sale material and brand signs; price case goods of their own brands; and perform such similar normal business services as the board may by regulation prescribe.
- 17 (3)(a) This section does not prohibit a manufacturer, importer, or wholesaler from providing services to a class G or J retail licensee 18 19 (i) Installation of draft beer dispensing equipment or 20 advertising, (ii) advertising, pouring or dispensing of beer or wine at a beer or wine tasting exhibition or judging event, or (iii) a class G 21 22 or J retail licensee from receiving any such services as may be provided by a manufacturer, importer, or wholesaler: PROVIDED, That 23 24 nothing in this section shall prohibit a retail licensee, or any person 25 financially interested, directly or indirectly, in such a retail 26 licensee from having a financial interest, direct or indirect, in a business which provides, for a compensation commensurate in value to 27 the services provided, bottling, canning or other services to a 28 29 manufacturer, so long as the retail licensee or person interested 30 therein has no direct financial interest in or control of said manufacturer. 31
- (b) A person holding contractual rights to payment from selling a 32 liquor wholesaler's business and transferring the license shall not be 33 34 deemed to have a financial interest under this section if the person (i) lacks any ownership in or control of the wholesaler, (ii) is not 35 employed by the wholesaler, and (iii) does not influence or attempt to 36 37 influence liquor purchases by retail liquor licensees from the 38 wholesaler.

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- 1 (c) The board shall adopt such rules as are deemed necessary to 2 carry out the purposes and provisions of subsection (3)(a) of this 3 section in accordance with the administrative procedure act, chapter 4 34.05 RCW.
- 5 (4) A license issued under RCW 66.24.395 does not constitute a 6 retail license for the purposes of this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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