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By Senate Committee on Commerce, Trade, Housing & Financial Institutions (originally sponsored by Senators Prentice, Hale, Deccio, Rasmussen, Loveland, B. Sheldon, West, McAuliffe and Kohl-Welles)

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1 AN ACT Relating to domestic wineries; and amending RCW 66.24.170.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.170 and 1997 c 321 s 3 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) There shall be a license for domestic wineries; fee to be
6 computed only on the liters manufactured: Less than two hundred fifty
7 thousand liters per year, one hundred dollars per year; and two hundred
8 fifty thousand liters or more per year, four hundred dollars per year.

9 (2) The license allows for the manufacture of wine in Washington
10 state from grapes or other agricultural products.

11 (3) Any domestic winery licensed under this section may also act as
12 a distributor and/or retailer of wine of its own production. Any
13 winery operating as a distributor and/or retailer under this subsection
14 shall comply with the applicable laws and rules relating to
15 distributors and/or retailers.

16 (4) A domestic winery licensed under this section, at locations
17 separate from any of its production or manufacturing sites, may serve
18 samples of its own products, with or without charge, and sell wine of
19 its own production at retail for off-premise consumption, provided

1 that: (a) Each additional location has been approved by the board
2 under RCW 66.24.010; (b) the total number of additional locations does
3 not exceed two; and (c) a winery may not act as a distributor at any
4 such additional location. Each additional location is deemed to be
5 part of the winery license for the purpose of this title. Nothing in
6 this subsection shall be construed to prevent a domestic winery from
7 holding multiple domestic winery licenses.

8 (5) Wine produced in Washington state by a domestic winery licensee
9 may be shipped out-of-state for the purpose of making it into sparkling
10 wine and then returned to such licensee for resale. Such wine shall be
11 deemed wine manufactured in the state of Washington for the purposes of
12 RCW 66.24.206, and shall not require a special license.

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