# CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

#### SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 3150

Chapter 92, Laws of 2006

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WINE INDUSTRY--PROMOTION

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/7/06

Passed by the House February 10, 2006 Yeas 98 Nays 0

### FRANK CHOPP

# Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate February 28, 2006 Yeas 45 Nays 0

#### CERTIFICATE

I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 3150** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

## RICHARD NAFZIGER

#### BRAD OWEN Chief Clerk

### President of the Senate

Approved March 17, 2006.

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By House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Condotta, Linville, Kenney, Chase, Kessler, Conway, Holmquist, Morrell, Newhouse and Armstrong)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to efforts to promote the wine industry; and 2 reenacting and amending RCW 66.28.010.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.28.010 and 2004 c 160 s 9 and 2004 c 62 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
  - importer, distributor, or (1)(a) No manufacturer, authorized representative, financially interested, directly or person indirectly, in such business; whether resident or nonresident, shall have any financial interest, direct or indirect, in any licensed retail business, unless the retail business is owned by a corporation in which a manufacturer or importer has no direct stock ownership and there are no interlocking officers and directors, the retail license is held by is not owned directly or corporation that indirectly by a manufacturer or importer, the sales of liquor are incidental to the primary activity of operating the property as a hotel, alcoholic by the manufacturer beverages produced or importer or their subsidiaries are not sold at the licensed premises, and the board reviews the ownership and proposed method of operation of all involved entities and determines that there will not be an unacceptable level of

control or undue influence over the operation or the retail licensee; 1 2 nor shall any manufacturer, importer, distributor, or authorized representative own any of the property upon which such licensed persons 3 conduct their business; nor shall any such licensed person, under any 4 arrangement whatsoever, conduct his or her business upon property in 5 any manufacturer, importer, distributor, or 6 representative has any interest unless title to that property is owned 7 by a corporation in which a manufacturer has no direct stock ownership 8 and there are no interlocking officers or directors, the retail license 9 10 is held by a corporation that is not owned directly or indirectly by the manufacturer, the sales of liquor are incidental to the primary 11 12 activity of operating the property either as a hotel or as an 13 amphitheater offering live musical and similar live entertainment 14 activities to the public, alcoholic beverages produced by the 15 manufacturer or any of its subsidiaries are not sold at the licensed premises, and the board reviews the ownership and proposed method of 16 operation of all involved entities and determines that there will not 17 be an unacceptable level of control or undue influence over the 18 operation of the retail licensee. Except as provided in subsection (3) 19 of this section, no manufacturer, importer, distributor, or authorized 20 21 representative shall advance moneys or moneys' worth to a licensed 22 person under an arrangement, nor shall such licensed person receive, under an arrangement, an advance of moneys or moneys' worth. 23 24 as used in this section only shall not include those state or federally 25 chartered banks, state or federally chartered savings and loan associations, state or federally chartered mutual savings banks, or 26 27 institutional investors which are not controlled directly or indirectly by a manufacturer, importer, distributor, or authorized representative 28 as long as the bank, savings and loan association, or institutional 29 investor does not influence or attempt to influence the purchasing 30 practices of the retailer with respect to alcoholic beverages. 31 32 as otherwise provided in this section, no manufacturer, importer, distributor, or authorized representative shall be eliqible to receive 33 or hold a retail license under this title, nor shall such manufacturer, 34 35 importer, distributor, or authorized representative sell at retail any 36 liquor as herein defined. A corporation granted an exemption under 37 this subsection may use debt instruments issued in connection with financing construction or operations of its facilities. 38

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a licensed domestic brewery or microbrewery 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 nothing in this section shall prohibit a domestic winery from being 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 wine so sold at retail shall be subject to the taxes imposed by RCW 66.24.290 and 66.24.210 and to reporting and bonding requirements as prescribed by regulations adopted by the board pursuant to chapter 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 distributor.

- (c) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a licensed distiller, domestic brewery, microbrewery, domestic winery, or a lessee of a licensed domestic brewer, microbrewery, or domestic winery, from being licensed as a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant pursuant to chapter 66.24 RCW for the purpose of selling liquor at a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant premises on the property on which the primary manufacturing facility of the licensed distiller, domestic brewer, microbrewery, or domestic winery is located or on contiguous property owned or leased by the licensed distiller, domestic brewer, microbrewery, or domestic winery as prescribed by rules adopted by the board pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW.
- (d) Nothing in this section prohibits retail licensees with a caterer's endorsement issued under RCW 66.24.320 or 66.24.420 from operating on a domestic winery premises.
- (e) Nothing in this section prohibits domestic wineries and retailers licensed under chapter 66.24 RCW from jointly producing brochures and materials promoting tourism in Washington state which contain information regarding retail licensees, domestic wineries, and their products.
- (f) Nothing in this section prohibits domestic wineries and retail licensees from identifying the wineries on private labels authorized under RCW 66.24.400, 66.24.425, and 66.24.450.
- (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

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- 34.05 RCW manufacturers, distributors, 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.
- (3)(a) This section does not prohibit a manufacturer, importer, or 8 distributor from providing services to a special occasion licensee for: 9 (i) Installation of draft beer dispensing equipment or advertising, 10 (ii) advertising, pouring, or dispensing of beer or wine at a beer or 11 wine tasting exhibition or judging event, or (iii) a special occasion 12 13 licensee from receiving any such services as may be provided by a 14 manufacturer, importer, or distributor. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a retail licensee, or any person financially interested, 15 directly or indirectly, in such a retail licensee from having a 16 17 financial interest, direct or indirect, in a business which provides, for a compensation commensurate in value to the services provided, 18 bottling, canning or other services to a manufacturer, so long as the 19 retail licensee or person interested therein has no direct financial 20 21 interest in or control of said manufacturer.
  - (b) A person holding contractual rights to payment from selling a liquor distributor's business and transferring the license shall not be deemed to have a financial interest under this section if the person (i) lacks any ownership in or control of the distributor, (ii) is not employed by the distributor, and (iii) does not influence or attempt to influence liquor purchases by retail liquor licensees from the distributor.
  - (c) The board shall adopt such rules as are deemed necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of subsection (3)(a) of this section in accordance with the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW.
- 33 (4) A license issued under RCW 66.24.395 does not constitute a 34 retail license for the purposes of this section.
- 35 (5) A public house license issued under RCW 66.24.580 does not 36 violate the provisions of this section as to a retailer having an

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1 interest directly or indirectly in a liquor-licensed manufacturer.

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