
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5644

State of Washington

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By Senate Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Schoesler and Murray)

READ FIRST TIME 02/22/13.

1 AN ACT Relating to sales for resale by retail licensees of liquor;
2 adding a new section to chapter 66.24 RCW; creating a new section; and
3 declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the adoption of
6 Initiative Measure No. 1183 by the voters in 2011 privatized the
7 wholesale and retail distribution of spirits in Washington and made
8 more efficient and competitive the distribution of wine. The
9 legislature also finds that some of the regulations adopted to
10 implement the initiative are at odds with the intent of the people to
11 privatize and modernize both the wholesale distribution and retail sale
12 of spirits and to make more efficient and competitive the distribution
13 of wine.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 66.24 RCW
15 to read as follows:

16 (1) Beginning on the effective date of this section, the license
17 issuance fee under RCW 66.24.630(4) does not apply to a spirits retail
18 licensee that was a contract liquor store manager with respect to sales

1 of spirits in original containers from the location of its spirits
2 retail licensed premises to retailers licensed to sell spirits for
3 consumption on the premises for resale at their licensed premises.

4 (2) Beginning on the effective date of this section, the license
5 issuance fee under RCW 66.24.630(4) does not apply to a spirits retail
6 licensee that was a former state store auction buyer, with respect to
7 sales of spirits in original containers from the location of its
8 spirits retail licensed premises to retailers licensed to sell spirits
9 for consumption on the premises for resale at their licensed premises.

10 (3) The exemptions created in this section attach to any successor,
11 by purchase or otherwise, to the spirits retail license, except that an
12 exemption does not attach to any such successor that owns, directly or
13 indirectly, any interest in a spirits retail licensee that is not
14 derived directly from a former contract liquor store manager or a
15 former state store auction buyer.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
18 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
19 immediately.

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