

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5504**

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64th Legislature  
2015 Regular Session

LIQUOR--DISTRIBUTOR EMPLOYEES--STOCKING

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Yeas 46 Nays 3

BRAD OWEN

**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 8, 2015  
Yeas 95 Nays 2

FRANK CHOPP

**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved April 17, 2015 11:36 AM

JAY INSLEE

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5504** as passed by Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

HUNTER G. GOODMAN

**Secretary**

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April 17, 2015

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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By Senators Hewitt and Hasegawa

Read first time 01/22/15. Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

1 AN ACT Relating to allowing additional liquor distributor  
2 employees to stock liquor under certain circumstances; and amending  
3 RCW 66.44.318.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.44.318 and 1995 c 100 s 2 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (1) Except as provided in this section, nothing is construed to  
8 permit a nonretail class liquor licensee's employee between the ages  
9 of eighteen and twenty-one years to handle, transport, or otherwise  
10 possess liquor.

11 (2) Licensees holding nonretail class liquor licenses are  
12 permitted to allow their employees between (~~the~~) the ages of  
13 eighteen and twenty-one years to stock, merchandise, and handle  
14 (~~beer or wine~~) liquor on or about the:

15 (a) Nonretail premises if there is an adult twenty-one years of  
16 age or older on duty supervising such activities on the premises; and

17 (b) Retail licensee's premises, except between 11:00 p.m. and  
18 4:00 a.m., as long as there is an adult twenty-one years of age or  
19 older, employed by the retail licensee, and present at the retail  
20 licensee's premises during the activities described in this  
21 subsection (2).

1       (3) Any act or omission of the nonretail class liquor licensee's  
2 employee occurring at or about the retail licensee's premises, which  
3 violates any provision of this title, is the sole responsibility of  
4 the nonretail class liquor licensee.

5       (4) Nothing in this section absolves the retail licensee from  
6 responsibility for the acts or omissions of its own employees who  
7 violate any provision of this title.

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