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HOUSE BILL 1526

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By Representatives Schmick, Reed, and Waters

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- AN ACT Relating to the snack bar liquor license; and amending RCW 66.24.350.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.350 and 2021 c 6 s 8 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
 - (((1))) There shall be a ((beer)) retailer's license to be designated as a snack bar license to sell beer by the opened bottle or can at retail, wine by the glass at retail, or both, for consumption upon the premises only, such license to be issued to places where the sale of beer or wine is not the principal business conducted; fee ((one hundred twenty-five dollars)) \$125 per year.
 - (((2)(a) The annual fee in subsection (1) of this section is waived during the 12-month period beginning with the second calendar month after February 28, 2021, for:
- 15 (i) Licenses that expire during the 12-month waiver period under 16 this subsection (2)(a); and
- (ii) Licenses issued to persons previously licensed under this section at any time during the 12-month period prior to the 12-month waiver period under this subsection (2)(a).
- 20 (b) The waiver in (a) of this subsection does not apply to any 21 licensee that:

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(i) Had their license suspended by the board for health and safety violations of state COVID-19 guidelines; or

(ii) Received an order of immediate restraint or citation from the department of labor and industries for allowing an employee to perform work where business activity was prohibited in violation of an emergency proclamation of the governor under RCW 43.06.220.

(c) Upon request of the department of revenue, the board and the department of labor and industries must both provide a list of persons that they have determined to be ineligible for a fee waiver under (a) of this subsection for the reasons described in (b) of this subsection. Unless otherwise agreed, any list must be received by the department of revenue no later than 15 calendar days after the request is made.)

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