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1 AN ACT Relating to temporary authorizations for liquor licensees
2 in local jurisdictions designated as a fan zone or host city for an
3 international sports competition in 2026; amending RCW 66.24.710,
4 66.08.030, and 66.44.100; creating a new section; and providing an
5 expiration date.

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

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1)(a) A city, town, or county that has
8 been designated as a fan zone or host city from an international
9 self-regulatory governing body of a sports association, or a
10 nonprofit organization created by such an entity, may request, and
11 the board may approve, expanded alcohol service for liquor licensees
12 within a two-square block area in the city, town, or county or two
13 different one-block areas within the city, town, or county. The
14 authorization in this section may be used to allow expanded alcohol
15 sales and service only during the months of June and July of 2026.

16 (b) Multiple licensees located within an area of a city, town, or
17 county approved under this section for expanded alcohol service may
18 share an alcohol service area encompassing the entire approved area
19 or areas, during an event, so long as:

20 (i) The board approves of the event perimeter enclosing the
21 alcohol service area;

1 (ii) Security and physical barriers are provided at all entry
2 points to the event;

3 (iii) The applicable city, town, or county through a designated
4 official notifies the board within a minimum time required by the
5 board in rule before the event begins;

6 (iv) All participating licensees submit a joint operating plan to
7 the board for approval, in a format designated by the board, that
8 describes: (A) How the licensees will prevent the sale and service of
9 alcohol to persons under 21 years of age and those who appear to be
10 intoxicated; (B) the ratio of alcohol service staff and security
11 staff to the anticipated number of attendees, subject to a ratio
12 requirement that may be set by the board; (C) training provided to
13 staff who serve, regulate, or supervise the service of alcohol
14 including that alcohol server training is required for all such
15 staff; (D) the licensees' policy on the number of alcoholic beverages
16 that will be served to an individual patron during one transaction,
17 subject to a limit determined by the board; (E) an explanation of the
18 alcoholic beverage containers that will be used to ensure they are
19 significantly different from containers used from nonalcoholic
20 beverages; (F) the barriers or demarcations to be used for an alcohol
21 service area or event perimeter; and (G) other information required
22 by the board in rule.

23 (c) Licensees operating under this section may share use of an
24 alcohol service area with other licensees and licensees may share use
25 of an alcohol service area with businesses that do not engage in the
26 sale or service of alcohol, subject to requirements of the board. All
27 participating licensees are jointly responsible for any violation or
28 enforcement issues unless it can be demonstrated that the violation
29 or enforcement issue was due to one or more licensee's specific
30 conduct or action, in which case the violation or enforcement applies
31 only to those identified licensees.

32 (d) During the times a licensee is operating under the
33 authorization in this section, the licensee may:

34 (i) Operate without a permit from their local jurisdiction that
35 may otherwise be required to allow the business to use the public
36 space as an alcohol service area;

37 (ii) Share an alcohol service area with another licensee: (A)
38 Without individually requesting approval from the board's licensing
39 division; and (B) regardless of whether the licensees' property

1 parcels or buildings are located in direct physical proximity to one
2 another; and

3 (iii) Sell and serve alcohol to customers from an alcohol service
4 area without offering food service menu options, except that any
5 required food service must still be provided within the licensed
6 premises, and in any preexisting alcohol service area operated by the
7 licensee under the board's rules that does not rely on the
8 authorization in this section, if the preexisting alcohol service
9 area remains in place during an event.

10 (2) The authorization in this section is available to the
11 following liquor licensees: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer,
12 and wine restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries
13 and microbreweries; distilleries; and snack bars.

14 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
15 section, unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

16 (a) "Alcohol service area" means an area in which liquor may be
17 sold, served, and consumed as authorized under this title and rules
18 of the board.

19 (b) "Board" means the liquor and cannabis board.

20 (4) This section expires August 1, 2026.

21 **Sec. 2.** RCW 66.24.710 and 2023 c 279 s 1 are each amended to
22 read as follows:

23 (1)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the
24 following licensees may sell alcohol products at retail for takeout
25 or delivery or both under liquor and cannabis board licenses and
26 endorsements: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer, and wine
27 restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries and
28 microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; nonprofit arts licensees;
29 and caterers.

30 (b) No alcohol products may be sold by delivery under this
31 section after July 1, 2025.

32 (2) Spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees may sell
33 premixed cocktails for takeout and, until July 1, 2025, for delivery.
34 The board may establish by rule the manner in which premixed
35 cocktails for off-premises consumption must be provided. This
36 subsection does not authorize the sale of bottles of spirits by
37 licensees for off-premises consumption.

38 (3) Spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees may sell wine by
39 the glass or premixed wine and spirits cocktails for takeout and,

1 until July 1, 2025, delivery. Beer and wine restaurant licensees may
2 sell wine or premixed wine drinks by the glass for takeout and, until
3 July 1, 2025, delivery. The board may establish by rule the manner in
4 which wine by the glass and premixed cocktails for off-premises
5 consumption must be provided.

6 (4) Licensees that were authorized by statute or rule before
7 January 1, 2020, to sell growlers for on-premises consumption may
8 sell growlers for off-premises consumption through takeout or, until
9 July 1, 2025, delivery. Sale of growlers under this subsection must
10 meet federal alcohol and tobacco tax and trade bureau requirements.

11 (5)(a) Licensees must obtain from the board an endorsement to
12 their license in order to conduct activities authorized under
13 subsections (1) through (4) of this section. The board may adopt
14 rules governing the manner in which the activities authorized under
15 this section must be conducted. Licensees must not be charged a fee
16 in order to obtain an endorsement required under this section.

17 (b)(i) Alcohol delivery under this section must be performed by
18 an employee of an alcohol delivery endorsement holder who is 21 years
19 of age or older and possesses a class 12 permit, in accordance with
20 RCW 66.20.310.

21 (ii) Delivery services conducted by beer and wine restaurant
22 licensees and spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees under this
23 section must be accompanied by a purchased meal prepared and sold by
24 the license holder.

25 (c) Alcohol sold for takeout by beer and wine restaurant
26 licensees and spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees under this
27 section must be accompanied by a purchased meal prepared and sold by
28 the license holder.

29 (d) Any alcohol product sold for takeout or delivery under this
30 section must be in a factory sealed container or a tamper-resistant
31 container.

32 (6) Beer and wine specialty shops licensed under RCW 66.24.371
33 and domestic breweries and microbreweries may sell prefilled growlers
34 for off-premises consumption through takeout and, until July 1, 2025,
35 delivery, provided that prefilled growlers are sold the same day they
36 are prepared for sale and not stored overnight for sale on future
37 days.

38 (7) (~~The~~) Subject to section 1 of this act, the board must
39 adopt or revise current rules to allow for outdoor service of alcohol
40 by on-premises licensees holding licenses issued by the board for the

1 following license types: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer,
2 and wine restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries
3 and microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; and private clubs
4 licensed under RCW 66.24.450 and 66.24.452. The board may adopt
5 requirements providing for clear accountability at locations where
6 multiple licensees use a shared space for serving customers, and,
7 pursuant to section 1 of this act, at locations where a licensee or
8 licensees use a shared space with another business or businesses that
9 do not engage in the sale or service of alcohol.

10 (8) Upon delivery of any alcohol product authorized to be
11 delivered under this section, the signature of the person age 21 or
12 over receiving the delivery must be obtained.

13 (9) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
14 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

15 (a) "Board" means the liquor and cannabis board.

16 (b) "Growlers" means sanitary containers brought to the premises
17 by the purchaser or furnished by the licensee and filled by the
18 retailer at the time of sale.

19 **Sec. 3.** RCW 66.08.030 and 2014 c 63 s 2 are each amended to read
20 as follows:

21 The power of the board to make regulations under chapter 34.05
22 RCW extends to:

23 (1) Prescribing the duties of the employees of the board, and
24 regulating their conduct in the discharge of their duties;

25 (2) Prescribing an official seal and official labels and stamps
26 and determining the manner in which they must be attached to every
27 package of liquor sold or sealed under this title, including the
28 prescribing of different official seals or different official labels
29 for different classes of liquor;

30 (3) Prescribing forms to be used for purposes of this title or
31 the regulations, and the terms and conditions to be contained in
32 permits and licenses issued under this title, and the qualifications
33 for receiving a permit or license issued under this title, including
34 a criminal history record information check. The board may submit the
35 criminal history record information check to the Washington state
36 patrol and to the identification division of the federal bureau of
37 investigation in order that these agencies may search their records
38 for prior arrests and convictions of the individual or individuals
39 who filled out the forms. The board must require fingerprinting of

1 any applicant whose criminal history record information check is
2 submitted to the federal bureau of investigation;

3 (4) Prescribing the fees payable in respect of permits and
4 licenses issued under this title for which no fees are prescribed in
5 this title, and prescribing the fees for anything done or permitted
6 to be done under the regulations;

7 (5) Prescribing the kinds and quantities of liquor which may be
8 kept on hand by the holder of a special permit for the purposes named
9 in the permit, regulating the manner in which the same is kept and
10 disposed of, and providing for the inspection of the same at any time
11 at the instance of the board;

12 (6) Regulating the sale of liquor kept by the holders of licenses
13 which entitle the holder to purchase and keep liquor for sale;

14 (7) Prescribing the records of purchases or sales of liquor kept
15 by the holders of licenses, and the reports to be made thereon to the
16 board, and providing for inspection of the records so kept;

17 (8) Prescribing the kinds and quantities of liquor for which a
18 prescription may be given, and the number of prescriptions which may
19 be given to the same patient within a stated period;

20 (9) Prescribing the manner of giving and serving notices required
21 by this title or the regulations, where not otherwise provided for in
22 this title;

23 (10) Regulating premises in which liquor is kept for export from
24 the state, or from which liquor is exported, prescribing the books
25 and records to be kept therein and the reports to be made thereon to
26 the board, and providing for the inspection of the premises and the
27 books, records and the liquor so kept;

28 (11) Prescribing the conditions and qualifications requisite for
29 the obtaining of club licenses and the books and records to be kept
30 and the returns to be made by clubs, prescribing the manner of
31 licensing clubs in any municipality or other locality, and providing
32 for the inspection of clubs;

33 (12) (~~Prescribing~~) Subject to section 1 of this act,
34 prescribing the conditions, accommodations, and qualifications
35 requisite for the obtaining of licenses to sell beer, wines, and
36 spirits, and regulating the sale of beer, wines, and spirits
37 thereunder;

38 (13) Specifying and regulating the time and periods when, and the
39 manner, methods and means by which manufacturers must deliver liquor
40 within the state; and the time and periods when, and the manner,

1 methods and means by which liquor may lawfully be conveyed or carried
2 within the state;

3 (14) Providing for the making of returns by brewers of their
4 sales of beer shipped within the state, or from the state, showing
5 the gross amount of such sales and providing for the inspection of
6 brewers' books and records, and for the checking of the accuracy of
7 any such returns;

8 (15) Providing for the making of returns by the wholesalers of
9 beer whose breweries are located beyond the boundaries of the state;

10 (16) Providing for the making of returns by any other liquor
11 manufacturers, showing the gross amount of liquor produced or
12 purchased, the amount sold within and exported from the state, and to
13 whom so sold or exported, and providing for the inspection of the
14 premises of any such liquor manufacturers, their books and records,
15 and for the checking of any such return;

16 (17) Providing for the giving of fidelity bonds by any or all of
17 the employees of the board. However, the premiums therefor must be
18 paid by the board;

19 (18) Providing for the shipment of liquor to any person holding a
20 permit and residing in any unit which has, by election pursuant to
21 this title, prohibited the sale of liquor therein;

22 (19) Prescribing methods of manufacture, conditions of
23 sanitation, standards of ingredients, quality and identity of
24 alcoholic beverages manufactured, sold, bottled, or handled by
25 licensees and the board; and conducting from time to time, in the
26 interest of the public health and general welfare, scientific studies
27 and research relating to alcoholic beverages and the use and effect
28 thereof;

29 (20) Seizing, confiscating and destroying all alcoholic beverages
30 manufactured, sold or offered for sale within this state which do not
31 conform in all respects to the standards prescribed by this title or
32 the regulations of the board. However, nothing herein contained may
33 be construed as authorizing the (~~liquor~~) board to prescribe, alter,
34 limit or in any way change the present law as to the quantity or
35 percentage of alcohol used in the manufacturing of wine or other
36 alcoholic beverages;

37 (21) Monitoring and regulating the practices of license holders
38 as necessary in order to prevent the theft and illegal trafficking of
39 liquor pursuant to RCW 66.28.350; and

1 (22) Until August 1, 2026, imposing reasonable requirements on
2 licensees' operations of alcohol service areas under section 1 of
3 this act.

4 **Sec. 4.** RCW 66.44.100 and 1999 c 189 s 3 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 Except as permitted by this title, including as allowed under
7 section 1 of this act between the effective date of this section and
8 August 1, 2026, no person shall open the package containing liquor or
9 consume liquor in a public place. Every person who violates any
10 provision of this section shall be guilty of a class 3 civil
11 infraction under chapter 7.80 RCW.

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