
HOUSE BILL 2207

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1 AN ACT Relating to warehousing of alcohol; and amending RCW
2 66.24.185.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.185 and 2025 c 343 s 13 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) There shall be a license for bonded wine warehouses, which
7 shall authorize the storage and handling of bottled wine, and a
8 license for bonded beer warehouses, which shall authorize the storage
9 and handling of bottled, canned, and kegged beer including strong
10 beer. Under ((this)) the bonded wine warehouse license a licensee may
11 maintain a warehouse for the storage of wine off the premises of a
12 winery or wine distributor. Under the bonded beer warehouse license a
13 licensee may maintain a warehouse for the storage of beer including
14 strong beer off the premises of a microbrewery, domestic brewery, or
15 beer distributor.

16 (2) The board shall adopt similar qualifications for a bonded
17 wine warehouse license as required for obtaining a domestic winery
18 license as specified in RCW 66.24.010 and 66.24.170 and, for a bonded
19 beer warehouse license, as required for obtaining a microbrewery
20 license or domestic brewery license as specified in RCW 66.24.010,
21 66.24.244, and 66.24.240. A licensee must be a sole proprietor, a

1 partnership, a limited liability company, or a corporation. One or
2 more domestic wineries may operate as a partnership, corporation,
3 business co-op, or agricultural co-op for the purposes of obtaining a
4 bonded wine warehouse license. One or more microbreweries and
5 domestic breweries may operate as a partnership, corporation,
6 business co-op, or agricultural co-op for the purpose of obtaining a
7 bonded beer warehouse license.

8 (3) (a) All bottled wine shipped to a bonded wine warehouse from a
9 winery or another bonded wine warehouse shall remain under bond and
10 no tax imposed under RCW 66.24.210 shall be due, unless the wine is
11 removed from bond and shipped to a licensed Washington wine
12 distributor or to a consumer. Wine may be removed from a bonded wine
13 warehouse only for the purpose of being ~~((a))~~ (i) exported from the
14 state, ~~((b))~~ (ii) shipped to a licensed Washington wine
15 distributor, ~~((c))~~ (iii) returned to a winery or bonded wine
16 warehouse, or ~~((d))~~ (iv) shipped to a consumer pursuant to RCW
17 66.20.360 through 66.20.390.

18 (b) All bottled, canned, and kegged beer including strong beer
19 shipped to a bonded beer warehouse from a microbrewery, domestic
20 brewery, or another bonded beer warehouse shall remain under bond and
21 no tax imposed under RCW 66.24.290 shall be due, unless the beer is
22 removed from bond and shipped to a licensed Washington beer
23 distributor or to a consumer. Beer including strong beer may be
24 removed from a bonded beer warehouse only for the purpose of being
25 (i) exported from the state, (ii) shipped to a licensed Washington
26 beer distributor, (iii) returned to a microbrewery, domestic brewery,
27 or bonded beer warehouse, or (iv) shipped to a consumer pursuant to
28 rules of the board.

29 (4) (a) Warehousing of wine by any person other than ~~((a))~~ (i) a
30 licensed domestic winery or a bonded wine warehouse licensed under
31 the provisions of this section, ~~((b))~~ (ii) a licensed Washington
32 wine distributor, ~~((c))~~ (iii) a licensed Washington wine importer,
33 ~~((d))~~ or (iv) a wine certificate of approval holder (W7), ~~((e))~~
34 ~~the board,~~) is prohibited.

35 (b) Warehousing of beer including strong beer by any person other
36 than (i) a licensed microbrewery, domestic brewery, or bonded beer
37 warehouse under the provisions of this section, (ii) a licensed
38 Washington beer distributor, (iii) a licensed Washington beer
39 importer, or (iv) a beer certificate of approval holder, is
40 prohibited.

1 (5) ((A)) (a) To warehouse wine, a license applicant shall hold a
2 federal permit for a bonded wine cellar and may be required to post a
3 continuing wine tax bond of such an amount and in such a form as may
4 be required by the board prior to the issuance of a bonded wine
5 warehouse license. The fee for this license shall be \$150 per annum,
6 unless an applicant is already licensed under (b) of this subsection
7 in which case there is no additional annual fee under this subsection
8 (5)(a).

9 (b) To warehouse beer including strong beer, a license applicant
10 shall hold a federal permit or authorization for the activity as
11 specified by the board and may be required to post a continuing beer
12 tax bond of such an amount and in such a form as may be required by
13 the board prior to the issuance of a bonded beer warehouse license.
14 The fee for this license shall be \$150 per annum, unless an applicant
15 is already licensed under (a) of this subsection in which case there
16 is no additional annual fee under this subsection (5)(b).

17 (6) (a) The board shall adopt rules requiring a bonded wine
18 warehouse and a bonded beer warehouse to be physically secure, zoned
19 for the intended use, and, except as provided in (b) of this
20 subsection, physically separated from any other use.

21 (b) (i) A person holding both a bonded wine warehouse license and
22 a bonded beer warehouse license may store and handle bottled wine,
23 bottled, canned, and kegged beer, including strong beer, and
24 nonalcohol materials, in the same area of the premises.

25 (ii) Nonalcohol materials may be stored and handled in the same
26 area of the premises as wine by a bonded wine warehouse licensee and
27 in the same area of the premises as beer, including strong beer, by a
28 bonded beer warehouse licensee.

29 (iii) Nothing in this section prohibits a licensed bonded wine
30 warehouse or a licensed bonded beer warehouse from allowing customers
31 to access any areas of the premises.

32 (7) Every licensee shall submit to the board a monthly report of
33 movement of bottled wines to and from a bonded wine warehouse and of
34 bottled, canned, and kegged beer including strong beer to and from a
35 bonded beer warehouse in a form prescribed by the board. The board
36 may adopt other necessary procedures by which bonded wine warehouses
37 and bonded beer warehouses are licensed and regulated.

38 (8) (a) Handling of bottled wine, as provided for in this section,
39 includes packaging and repackaging services; bottle labeling
40 services; creating baskets or variety packs that may or may not

1 include nonwine products; and picking, packing, and shipping wine
2 orders direct to consumer. A winery contracting with a bonded wine
3 warehouse for handling bottled wine must comply with all applicable
4 state and federal laws and shall be responsible for financial
5 transactions in direct to consumer shipping activities.

6 (b) Handling of bottled, canned, and kegged beer including strong
7 beer, as provided for in this section, includes packaging and
8 repackaging services; labeling services; creating baskets or variety
9 packs that may or may not include nonbeer products; and picking,
10 packing, and shipping beer and strong beer orders direct to consumer.
11 A microbrewery or domestic brewery contracting with a bonded beer
12 warehouse for handling bottled, canned, and kegged beer including
13 strong beer must comply with all applicable state and federal laws
14 and shall be responsible for financial transactions in direct to
15 consumer shipping activities.

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