SENATE BILL 5330

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to protecting consumers from spiked drinks at
- 2 certain licensees of the liquor and cannabis board; adding a new
- 3 section to chapter 66.24 RCW; and providing an effective date.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 66.24
- 6 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) A licensee:

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- 8 (a) Must offer drug testing devices for sale to the licensee's gustomers;
- 10 (b) May charge the customer an amount that does not exceed a 11 reasonable amount based on the wholesale cost of the device;
- 12 (c) Must ensure that all testing devices offered to customers
- 13 have not exceeded their expiration date or recommended period of use,
- 14 according to the product label, product packaging, or otherwise
- 15 recommended by the manufacturer; and
- 16 (d) Must post the following notice in a prominent and conspicuous 17 location:
- "Don't get roofied! Drink spiking drug test kits available here.
- 19 Ask a staff member for details."
- 20 (2) This section does not prevent a licensee from offering drug 21 testing devices to customers free of charge.

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- 1 (3) A licensee is not liable for a defective test or inaccurate 2 test result including, but not limited to, a false positive or false 3 negative test result.
 - (4) A violation of this section is not a crime.
- 5 (5) The board must post on its internet website a link to a page 6 that contains information about the requirements of this section 7 including, but not limited to, the signage that is required to be 8 posted and the types of drug testing devices that are required to be 9 available at a tavern or nightclub.
- 10 (6) For the purposes of this section:
- 11 (a) "Controlled substances" includes, but is not limited to, 12 flunitrazepam, ketamine, and gamma hydroxybutyric acid, also known by 13 other names, including GHB, gamma hydroxybutyrate, 4-hydroxybutyrate, 14 4-hydroxybutanoic acid, sodium oxybate, and sodium oxybutyrate.
- 15 (b) "Drug testing devices" means test strips, stickers, straws, 16 and other devices designed to detect the presence of controlled 17 substances in a drink.
- 18 (c) "Licensee" means a holder of any of the following temporary 19 or permanent licenses:
 - (i) Tavern license, pursuant to RCW 66.24.330;
- 21 (ii) Nightclub license, pursuant to RCW 66.24.600;
- 22 (iii) Theater license, pursuant to RCW 66.24.650 or 66.24.655;
- 23 (iv) Hotel license, pursuant to RCW 66.24.590;
- 24 (v) Motel license, pursuant to RCW 66.24.540;
- 25 (vi) Private club license, pursuant to RCW 66.24.452 or 26 66.24.450;
- (vii) Public house license, pursuant to RCW 66.24.580;
- 28 (viii) Sports entertainment facility license, pursuant to RCW
- 29 66.24.570; or
- 30 (ix) VIP airport lounge operator license, pursuant to RCW
- 31 66.24.610.

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32 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect January 1, 2026.

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