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1 AN ACT Relating to sales of wine at the legislative gift center;
2 adding new sections to chapter 44.73 RCW; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 66.12 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the production of
6 wine grapes in the state is an important segment of Washington
7 agriculture as evidenced by the continued investments made by the state
8 in developing the wine industry, including the creation of viticulture
9 and enology programs at Washington State University. The legislature
10 further finds that the promotion and sale of Washington wine at the
11 legislative gift center is harmonious with the purpose of the gift
12 center, which is to promote the state and the goods produced around the
13 state. Therefore, the legislature intends to allow the legislative
14 gift center to sell wine produced in Washington to visitors of legal
15 drinking age.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 66.12 RCW
17 to read as follows:

18 Nothing in this title shall apply to or prevent the legislative

1 gift center created in chapter 44.73 RCW from selling at retail for
2 off-premises consumption wine produced in Washington by a licensed
3 domestic winery.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The legislative gift center is authorized to
5 sell at retail for off-premises consumption wine produced in Washington
6 by a licensed domestic winery. Wine sold by the legislative gift
7 center must: (1) Be sold to individuals twenty-one years of age or
8 older; (2) be sold for personal use and not for resale; and (3) have
9 been purchased from a licensed wine distributor or from a manufacturer
10 authorized to distribute wine of its own production.

11 The legislative gift center must collect and remit to the
12 department of revenue all applicable state and local taxes on sales of
13 wine.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 and 3 of this act are each added
15 to chapter 44.73 RCW.

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