

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 1742

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Allowing sales of growlers of wine.

Sponsors: House Committee on Government Accountability & Oversight (originally sponsored by Representatives Wylie, Ryu, Hunter, S. Hunt and Moscoso).

House Committee on Government Accountability & Oversight
Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor

Background:

Introduction.

The Liquor Control Board (LCB) issues various types of licenses, including those for beer or wine specialty shops, wineries, microbreweries, domestic breweries, restaurants, and nightclubs. In certain circumstances, the LCB may impose conditions or restrictions on a licensee or include special endorsements authorizing the sale of specified alcoholic beverages subject to specified conditions.

Domestic Wineries.

Wineries licensed in Washington (domestic wineries) may act as distributors and retailers of wine of their own production. Domestic wineries must comply with applicable laws and rules relating to distributors and retailers.

Additionally, a domestic winery may have up to two locations separate from its manufacturing site where the winery may serve samples and sell wine of its own production at retail (additional tasting rooms). The LCB must approve each additional tasting room.

Summary:

A domestic winery with additional tasting rooms may sell for off-premises consumption wines of its own production in kegs or growlers meeting the applicable requirements of federal law. The growlers may be brought to the premises by the customer or supplied by the licensee and filled at the tap at the time of sale.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 97 0

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