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1 AN ACT Relating to the sale of beer for off-premises consumption;
2 and reenacting and amending RCW 66.24.400.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.24.400 and 2019 c 169 s 3 and 2019 c 61 s 2 are
5 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

6 (1) There shall be a retailer's license, to be known and
7 designated as a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license, to sell
8 spirituous liquor by the individual glass, beer, and wine, at retail,
9 for consumption on the premises, including mixed drinks and cocktails
10 compounded or mixed on the premises only. A club licensed under
11 chapter 70.62 RCW with overnight sleeping accommodations, that is
12 licensed under this section may sell liquor by the bottle to
13 registered guests of the club for consumption in guest rooms,
14 hospitality rooms, or at banquets in the club. A patron of a bona
15 fide restaurant or club licensed under this section may remove from
16 the premises recorked or recapped in its original container any
17 portion of wine or sake which was purchased for consumption with a
18 meal, and registered guests who have purchased liquor from the club
19 by the bottle may remove from the premises any unused portion of such
20 liquor in its original container. Such license may be issued only to
21 bona fide restaurants and clubs, and to dining, club and buffet cars

1 on passenger trains, and to dining places on passenger boats and
2 airplanes, and to dining places at civic centers with facilities for
3 sports, entertainment, and conventions, and to such other
4 establishments operated and maintained primarily for the benefit of
5 tourists, vacationers and travelers as the board shall determine are
6 qualified to have, and in the discretion of the board should have, a
7 spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license under the provisions and
8 limitations of this title.

9 (2) The board may issue an endorsement to the spirits, beer, and
10 wine restaurant license that allows the holder of a spirits, beer,
11 and wine restaurant license to sell bottled wine for off-premises
12 consumption. Spirits (~~and beer~~) may not be sold for off-premises
13 consumption under this section (~~except as provided in subsection (4)~~
14 ~~of this section~~). The annual fee for the endorsement under this
15 subsection is one hundred twenty dollars.

16 (3) The holder of a spirits, beer, and wine license or its
17 manager may furnish beer, wine, or spirituous liquor to the
18 licensee's employees free of charge as may be required for use in
19 connection with instruction on beer, wine, or spirituous liquor. The
20 instruction may include the history, nature, values, and
21 characteristics of beer, wine, or spirituous liquor, the use of wine
22 lists, and the methods of presenting, serving, storing, and handling
23 beer, wine, and spirituous liquor. The spirits, beer, and wine
24 restaurant licensee must use the beer, wine, or spirituous liquor it
25 obtains under its license for the sampling as part of the
26 instruction. The instruction must be given on the premises of the
27 spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee.

28 (4) (a) The board may issue an endorsement to the spirits, beer,
29 and wine restaurant license that allows the holder of a spirits,
30 beer, and wine restaurant license to sell for off-premises
31 consumption:

32 (i) Malt liquor in kegs or other containers that are capable of
33 holding four gallons or more of liquid and are registered in
34 accordance with RCW 66.28.200 (~~(-)~~);

35 (ii) Beer sold in original sealed packages of the manufacturer or
36 bottler; and

37 (iii) Beer (~~may also be~~) sold under the endorsement to a
38 purchaser in a sanitary container brought to the premises by the
39 purchaser or furnished by the licensee and filled at the tap by the
40 retailer at the time of sale.

1 **(b)** The annual fee for the endorsement under this subsection is
2 one hundred twenty dollars.

3 (5) (a) The board shall create a soju endorsement to the spirits,
4 beer, and wine restaurant license that allows the holder of a
5 spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license to serve soju for on-
6 premises consumption by the bottle to tables of two or more patrons
7 twenty-one years of age or older. Cost of the endorsement is fifty
8 dollars.

9 (b) The holder of a soju endorsement may serve soju in bottles
10 that are three hundred seventy-five milliliters or less. Empty
11 bottles of soju must remain on the patron's table until the patron
12 has left the premises of the licensee.

13 (c) The patron of a holder of a soju endorsement may remove from
14 the premises recapped in its original container any unused portion of
15 soju that was purchased for consumption with a meal.

16 (d) The board must develop additional responsible sale and
17 service of soju training curriculum related to the provisions of the
18 soju endorsement under this subsection (5) that includes but is not
19 limited to certification procedures and enforcement policies. This
20 information must be provided in both Korean and English languages to
21 licensees holding the soju endorsement. Soju endorsement holders must
22 ensure servers providing soju to patrons are trained in the soju
23 curriculum developed under this subsection (5).

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