



Bill Title: **Modifying conditions and restrictions for liquor licenses**
Bill Number: **HB 1465**
Effective Date: **July 22, 2011**
Amends: **RCW 66.04.010 (28), 66.24.240, 66.24.244, 66.24.371, and 66.24.410**

Summary:

This bill makes a number of changes described below.

Amends RCW 66.24.010 (6)(7) to change what is printed on a liquor license.

This amendment specifies that conditions and restrictions on a liquor license can be included in correspondence rather than listed on the face of the license.

Amends RCW 66.04.010 (28) to remove the nightclub occupancy load

The bill removes the 100 person-or-more occupancy load requirement for an establishment to qualify for a nightclub license.

Amends RCW 66.24.371 to allow specialty shops to sell “Growlers”

Upon Board approval, beer and/or wine specialty shop licensees may receive an endorsement to sell beer in a sanitary container brought to the premises by the purchaser or provided by the licensee or the manufacturer, and filled at the tap at the time of sale (“growlers”). The following conditions must be met:

- Over 50 percent of the licensees gross sales must be beer and/or wine sales; or

- The Board can waive the over 50 percent sales requirement if the shop licensee carries alcohol inventory worth over \$15,000.

Approval Process:

Licensees who want to sell beer to purchasers who bring in their own container (“growlers”) or provided by the licensee or the manufacturer and have it filled at the tap at the time of sale must:

- Complete and submit an Application for Added Endorsement (LIQ 756) to the Liquor Control Board, License Division. There is no fee for this endorsement.
- License division staff will send out a local authority notice and public posting notice. The local authority has 20 days to respond and the public posting notice is posted for 14 days.
- After the 20 days have passed for local authority comment, no local objections have been submitted, and the 14-day posting period has passed, the endorsement will be approved.
- License division staff will send a letter to the licensee approving the “Growlers” endorsement. The licensee should receive a new Master License from Master License Service within 14 days.

Amends RCW 66.24.240 and 66.24.244 to allow domestic breweries and microbreweries to sell beer produced by other domestic breweries and microbreweries as long as the other breweries' brands do not exceed 25 percent of the brewery's on-tap offering of its own brands.

Approval Process:

No approval required. This is allowed under the Domestic Brewery and Microbrewery liquor license.

Amends RCW 66.24.410 to gives the Liquor Control Board authority to define by rule "complete meals" for purposes of qualifying for a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license.

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