



**Bill Title:** Beer and Wine Tasting Endorsement for Grocery Stores  
**Bill Number:** SSB 5517  
**Effective Date:** July 28, 2013  
**Amends:** RCW 66.24.363

**Summary:**

This new law revises eligibility criteria applicable to grocery stores seeking an endorsement from the Liquor Control Board authorizing them to conduct beer and wine tastings.

- Eliminates the requirement that for a grocery store to be eligible for a beer and wine tasting endorsement then: (1) at least half of the gross sales of the store must be retail sales of grocery products for off-premises consumption; or (2) the store be a membership organization whose members must be at least eighteen years of age.
- Increases a grocery store's minimum square footage requirement from 9,000 to 10,000 square feet before it may be eligible for a beer and wine tasting endorsement.

**Contact Information**

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