



**Bill Title:** Addressing provisions concerning wineries in respect to the licensing of private collections of wine, allowing wineries to make sales for off-premises consumption at special occasion licensed events, modifying special occasion licenses, and making certain related technical corrections.

**Bill Number:** ESSB 6470

**Effective Date:** 6/9/2016

**Amends:** RCW 66.24.380, 66.12.110, 66.12.120, 66.12.240, 66.20.170, 66.20.180, 66.20.190, 66.20.200, 66.20.210, 66.24.210, 66.28.030, 66.28.035, 66.28.040, 66.44.350, 66.24.170, and 66.20.010; creating a new section; and repealing RCW 66.24.440.

**Summary:**

- Allows for wine to be sold by the bottle for on-premise consumption at a not-for-profit organization's event after obtaining a special occasion liquor license.
- A domestic winery may conduct wine sales for off-premise consumption; to a consumer for later delivery date after the special-occasion licensed event; or to a consumer for delivery at a different location, following all Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (WSLCB) requirements for direct sales of wine to consumers. The domestic winery may also enter into an agreement to share a portion of the proceeds with the special occasion licensee.
- Reinstates a practice that allows an individual or business to apply to the WSLCB for a special permit to sell a private collection of wine or spirits to another individual or business after obtaining a permit at least five business days before the sale. Examples:
  - acquisition of an estate by an auctioneer that contains spirits or wine, and wants to sell it;
  - a person who has a private wine or liquor collection that they wish to sell to a licensed restaurant for example.
- Technical clarifications and corrections are made removing language that referenced state-owned and contract liquor stores.
- Repealed an outdated statute authorizing discounted liquor sales by the LCB to specific entities.

**How to apply to the WSLCB for a special permit to sell a private collection of wine or spirits to another individual or business:**

- The application for the special permit can be found on the WSLCB website at: [lcb.wa.gov](http://lcb.wa.gov).
- The potential seller must obtain a permit at least five business days before the sale.
- If the liquor is purchased by a WSLCB licensee, all sales are subject to taxes assessed as on liquor acquired from any other source.
- The seller must report the sales information and pay any taxes due to the LCB within 20 days of the sale.
- Once the WSLCB Financial Division receives the application:
  - A Fiscal Analyst will be assigned to the application.
  - The Fiscal Analyst will send the applicant an approval letter.

**Contact Information:**

For specific questions, please contact Customer Service at 360-664-1600 or [lcb.wa.gov](http://lcb.wa.gov).

