



Bill Title: Microbrewery Warehouse
Bill Number: SSB 6572
Effective Date: June 30, 2008
Amends: RCW 66.24.244

Background:

This bill allows microbreweries operating as a distributor of their own products to maintain one warehouse off the microbrewery premises, subject to approval by the Board.

Implementation:

If a licensee holding a microbrewery license wants to have a warehouse off the microbrewery premises, they must complete:

- A Master Business Application and Liquor Control Board Addendum. Information and application forms are posted on the Liquor Control Board Web site (www.liq.wa.gov):

When License Division receives the application:

- A liquor license investigator is assigned to the application
- The investigator will contact the applicant to conduct an interview and send the applicant a request for documents needed to process the application (the applicant has 15 days to return documents)
- A notice will be sent to the local authority for comment (20 day comment period)
- When all documents are received and the investigation is complete the applicant will receive an approval letter from the Liquor Control Board Licensing Division
- When the off-site warehouse is approved, the licensee should receive a Master License from Master License Service within 14 days.

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