



Bill Title: Liquor License Fees

Bill Number: EHB 2358

Effective Date: July 26, 2009

Amends several sections of RCW 66.24 and creates a new section in RCW 66.08

Background:

The Washington State Liquor Control Board (WSLCB) issues a number of types of retail liquor licenses. For some licenses there are also endorsements available that allow additional privileges. Licensees pay an annual liquor license fee to the WSLCB.

Summary:

This legislation raises specific retail liquor license fees by 10.5 percent for the 2009-2011 bienniums and requires the increased revenue to be used only for the administration and enforcement of the affected licenses. The following fees are increased:

| <u>License</u> | <u>Current Fee</u> | <u>New Fee</u> |
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| Grocery Store | \$150 | \$166 |
| <i>International Exporter Endorsement</i> | \$500 | \$553 |
| Public House | \$1,000 | \$1,105 |
| Beer/Wine Specialty Shop | \$100 | \$111 |
| Snack Bar | \$125 | \$138 |
| Interstate Common Carrier | \$750 | \$829 |
| <i>Duplicate License (add'l locations)</i> | \$5 | \$6 |
| Beer and/or Wine Private Club | \$180 | \$199 |
| <i>Off-Premises Wine Sales Endorsement</i> | \$120 | \$133 |
| Spirits/Beer/Wine Private Club | \$720 | \$796 |
| <i>Off-Premises Wine Sales Endorsement</i> | \$120 | \$133 |
| <i>Non-Club Event Endorsement</i> | \$900 | \$995 |
| Beer and/or Wine Restaurant | | |
| Beer only | \$200 | \$221 |
| Wine only | \$200 | \$221 |
| Beer and Wine | \$400 | \$442 |
| <i>Off-Premises Sales Endorsement</i> | \$120 | \$133 |
| <i>Caterer's Endorsement</i> | \$350 | \$387 |
| <i>Caterer's Duplicate Endorsement</i> | \$20 | \$22 |

Spirits/Beer/Wine Restaurant (public or private)

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|--|---------|---------|
| Less than 50% dedicated dining area | \$2,000 | \$2,210 |
| 50% or more dedicated dining area | \$1,600 | \$1,768 |
| Service bar only (100% dedicated dining area) | \$1,000 | \$1,105 |
| <i>Caterer's Endorsement</i> | \$350 | \$387 |
| <i>Caterer's Duplicate Endorsement</i> | \$20 | \$22 |
| <i>Off-Premises Wine Sales Endorsement</i> | \$120 | \$133 |
| <i>Kegs to Go Endorsement</i> | \$120 | \$133 |
| <i>Duplicate License – Civic/Convention Ctr.</i> | \$10 | \$11 |

Tavern Beer and/or Wine

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|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Beer only | \$200 | \$221 |
| Wine only | \$200 | \$221 |
| Beer and Wine | \$400 | \$442 |
| <i>Off-Premises Sales Endorsement</i> | \$120 | \$133 |