



Washington State
Liquor and Cannabis Board

To: David Postman, Board Chair
Ollie Garrett, Board Member
Russ Hauge, Board Member

From: Kathy Hoffman, Policy and Rules Manager

Date: September 29, 2021

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Subject: Request for approval to rescind Liquor Control Board Policy Number 00-4 concerning exceptions to licensee fee refund Regulation (concerning WAC 314-12-040).

The purpose of this policy was to establish a standard procedure for refunding liquor license fees to license holders who through no fault of their own, may be prohibited from continuing the sale of liquor because a court decision, revision in state law, or a revision in local laws, ordinances or regulations of a city, county or other governmental jurisdiction where the licensed premises is located.

This policy went into effect on June 29, 2000 – more than 21 years ago. Although the statement notes that the Board was in the process of extensive rule revision at the time, this policy was not incorporated into rule. Policy and Rules staff consulted with both the Licensing and Enforcement divisions, and both indicated that the policy was not needed. Specifically, Licensing staff indicated that the policy had not been used in 18 years.

For these reasons, Liquor Control Board Policy Number 00-4 is no longer necessary.

If the Board approves rescission of Liquor Control Board Policy Number 00-4, the agency will send notice to stakeholders, and remove it from the LCB website.

The Board approves/disapproves the rescission of Liquor Control Board Policy Number 00-4.

_____ Approve _____ Disapprove _____
David Postman, Chair _____
Date

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Ollie Garrett, Board Member _____
Date

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_____ Disapprove

Russ Hauge, Board Member

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