



Notice of Permanent Rules to implement 2017 Liquor Legislation

This explanatory statement concerns the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board's adoption of rules to implement 2017 liquor legislation,

The Administrative Procedure Act (RCW 34.05.325(6)) requires agencies to complete a concise explanatory statement before filing adopted rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. This statement must be provided to anyone who gave comment about the proposed rulemaking.

Once persons who gave comment during this rulemaking have had a chance to receive this document, the Liquor and Cannabis Board will file the amended rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. These rule changes will become effective 31 days after filing (approximately March 10, 2018).

The Liquor and Cannabis Board appreciates your involvement in this rule making process. If you have any questions, please contact Karen McCall, Rules Coordinator, at (360) 664-1631 or e-mail at rules@lcb.wa.gov.

What are the agency's reasons for adopting these rules?

New rules and revisions to current rules were needed to implement 2017 liquor legislation.

Summary of all public comments received on this rule proposal.

No comments were received at the public hearing held January 24, 2018. Two written comments were received.

Cindy Zehnder – Vice President – Gordon Thomas Honeywell-GA

Support the revisions to WAC 314-02-092 regarding tastings areas in a combination spirits, beer, and wine off-premises license that was a former beer/wine specialty store license.

LCB response: The requirement for barriers around the tasting areas was removed for licenses that were former beer/wine specialty store licenses.

P. Adam Smith – Vice President, Western Region of the Distilled Spirits Council

Spirits should be allowed to be sold to customers over the internet and delivered by the retail licensee (the same as beer and wine).



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LCB response: Revisions were made to allow spirits to be sold to customers over the internet and delivered by the retail licensee.

WAC Changes

See attachment.