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SENATE BILL 5917

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By Senator Murray

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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing the liquor control board to implement  
2 a pilot project appointing up to ten colocated contract liquor stores  
3 in urban areas; and amending RCW 66.08.050.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 66.08.050 and 2005 c 151 s 3 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 The board, subject to the provisions of this title and the rules,  
8 shall:

9 (1) Determine the localities within which state liquor stores shall  
10 be established throughout the state, and the number and situation of  
11 the stores within each locality;

12 (2) Appoint in cities and towns and other communities, in which no  
13 state liquor store is located, except as provided in subsection (12) of  
14 this section, contract liquor stores. In addition, the board may  
15 appoint, in its discretion, a manufacturer that also manufactures  
16 liquor products other than wine under a license under this title, as a  
17 contract liquor store for the purpose of sale of liquor products of its  
18 own manufacture on the licensed premises only. Such contract liquor  
19 stores shall be authorized to sell liquor under the guidelines provided

1 by law, rule, or contract, and such contract liquor stores shall be  
2 subject to such additional rules and regulations consistent with this  
3 title as the board may require;

4 (3) Establish all necessary warehouses for the storing and  
5 bottling, diluting and rectifying of stocks of liquors for the purposes  
6 of this title;

7 (4) Provide for the leasing for periods not to exceed ten years of  
8 all premises required for the conduct of the business; and for  
9 remodeling the same, and the procuring of their furnishings, fixtures,  
10 and supplies; and for obtaining options of renewal of such leases by  
11 the lessee. The terms of such leases in all other respects (~~shall~~  
12 ~~be~~) are subject to the direction of the board;

13 (5) Determine the nature, form and capacity of all packages to be  
14 used for containing liquor kept for sale under this title;

15 (6) Execute or cause to be executed, all contracts, papers, and  
16 documents in the name of the board, under such regulations as the board  
17 may fix;

18 (7) Pay all customs, duties, excises, charges and obligations  
19 whatsoever relating to the business of the board;

20 (8) Require bonds from all employees in the discretion of the  
21 board, and to determine the amount of fidelity bond of each such  
22 employee;

23 (9) Perform services for the state lottery commission to such  
24 extent, and for such compensation, as may be mutually agreed upon  
25 between the board and the commission;

26 (10) Accept and deposit into the general fund-local account and  
27 disburse, subject to appropriation, federal grants or other funds or  
28 donations from any source for the purpose of improving public awareness  
29 of the health risks associated with alcohol consumption by youth and  
30 the abuse of alcohol by adults in Washington state. The board's  
31 alcohol awareness program shall cooperate with federal and state  
32 agencies, interested organizations, and individuals to effect an active  
33 public beverage alcohol awareness program;

34 (11) Perform all other matters and things, whether similar to the  
35 foregoing or not, to carry out the provisions of this title, and shall  
36 have full power to do each and every act necessary to the conduct of  
37 its business, including all buying, selling, preparation and approval  
38 of forms, and every other function of the business whatsoever, subject

1 only to audit by the state auditor(~~(: PROVIDED, That)~~). However, the  
2 board shall have no authority to regulate the content of spoken  
3 language on licensed premises where wine and other liquors are served  
4 and where there is not a clear and present danger of disorderly conduct  
5 being provoked by such language;

6 (12) Conduct a pilot project, beginning in fiscal year 2012,  
7 appointing up to ten colocated contract stores within existing grocery  
8 stores, licensed under RCW 66.24.360, in high population areas. A  
9 grocery store containing a colocated contract store must have a fully  
10 enclosed retail area encompassing at least nine thousand square feet.  
11 The board must report to the applicable committees of the legislature  
12 the results of the pilot project no later than January 1, 2013.

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