

2016 General Session - End of Session Summary

<i>Bill #</i>	<i>Short Title</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Summary</i>
Passed Bills			
SB250	Alcoholic Beverage Policy Amendments	Stevenson, J	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prohibits drive thru sales of alcohol for on premise retail licensees - Clarifies that licensees may not sell liquor to go. Liquor is wine, heavy beer and spirits. Wine may still be removed from the premise if recorked or recapped. - Redistributes licenses to increase availability of full and limited service restaurants and banquet catering licenses by decreasing the availability of tavern and reception center licenses. - Increases fees for limited licensing and renewal fees - Allows concessionaires of rec amenities that are government owned to use the rec fees of that amenity - Modifies provisions of the transfer of license act (removed the 10 day notice requirement by the buyer and clarifies the time period and conditions for extensions related to operational requirements). <p style="text-align: center;">Effective May 10 with the exception of quota provisions which became effective upon the governor's signature on March 18</p>
SB 221	Capitol Protocol Amendments	Madsen, M	<p>Prohibits bringing alcohol for consumption onto the capitol hill complex.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Signed by the Governor - Effective July 1</p>
SB 217	Alcoholic Beverage Control Act Licensing Amendments	Stevenson, J	<p>Creates a master hotel license that includes sublicenses necessary to run a full service hotel.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rulemaking needed to define "hotel"</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Signed by the Governor - Effective July 1</p>
HB 228	Alcohol Modifications	Froerer, G.	<p>Extends tastings to all manufacturers (currently limited to wineries) and creates operational restrictions for tasting facilities.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rulemaking needed to define "substantial food" and "educational information"</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Signed by the Governor - Effective July 1</p>
HB13	Alcoholic Beverage Event Permit Amendments	Oda, C.	<p>Requires that an event permit be issued if the applicant meets the requirements, requires all events to have control measures, requires the director to consider violation history, and requires that permit holders not circumvent requirements of Title 32B Alcoholic Beverage Control Act.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Signed by the Governor - Effective July 1</p>

Bills Filed as Not Passed

HB76	Alcoholic Beverage Service Amendments	Powell, C.	This bill phases out grandfathered bars and removes the separate storage and dispensing requirement in restaurants so long as there is a “lounge or bar area” and required signage warning the public that alcohol is dispensed in public
SB83	Alcoholic Beverage Control Budget	Mayne, K	Requires that 15% of the five-year average of gross revenue from the sales of liquor by the department to be appropriated to the department. Requires that the appropriated money be spent to pay for the general operations of the department and commission and specifies that a portion of that money be used in specific ways related to salary, staffing, management, training and security.
SB84	Alcoholic Beverage Control Facilitator Act	Mayne, K	Creates a new facilitator position to act as an ombudsman for employee, licensee and public complaints.
SB141	Alcohol Amendments	Debakis J.	This bill removes the separate preparation area and allows all restaurants and reception centers to have bars.
HB350	Operations Amendments	Eliason	Creates the Operations Investigations Program to covertly observe and evaluate the customer service provided by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
HB486	Health Amendments	Thurston, N	Requires all off-premise beer retailers to use scanners for age verification
SB259	Amendments Related to Alcoholic Beverages	Stevenson, J	Modifies label requirements for malted beverages, requires beer in off-premise retailers to be in a separate area and classifies a violation of operational requirements as a class B misdemeanor.