CHAPTER 6.
[S. B. 12.]
LIQUOR REVOLVING FUND—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.

AN ACT Relating to intoxicating liquor; providing for the control and regulation thereof; providing for the disposition of funds; amending section 73, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and RCW 43.66.060; amending section 66, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and RCW 43.66.140; amending section 71, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session, as last amended by section 1, chapter 138, Laws of 1937, and RCW 43.66.150; adding three new sections to chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and to chapter 43.66 RCW; repealing sections 74 and 75, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and RCW 43.66.070 and 43.66.160.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Section 73, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and RCW 43.66.060 are each amended to read as follows:

There shall be a fund, known as the “liquor revolving fund,” which shall consist of all license fees, permit fees, penalties, forfeitures, and all other moneys, income, or revenue received by the board. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. All moneys received by the board or any employee thereof, except for change funds and an amount of petty cash as fixed by the board within the authority of law shall be deposited each day in a depository approved by the state treasurer and transferred to the state treasurer to be credited to the liquor revolving fund. Disbursements from the revolving fund shall be on authorization of the board or a duly authorized representative thereof. In order to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control the liquor revolving fund shall be subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW but no appropriation shall be required to permit expenditures and payment of obligations from such fund.

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SEC. 2. Section 66, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and RCW 43.66.140 are each amended to read as follows:

The attorney general shall be the general counsel of the liquor control board and he shall institute and prosecute all actions and proceedings which may be necessary in the enforcement and carrying out of the provisions of this chapter and Title 66.

He shall assign such assistants as may be necessary to the exclusive duty of assisting the liquor control board in the enforcement of Title 66.

SEC. 3. Section 71, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session, as last amended by section 1, chapter 138, Laws of 1937, and RCW 43.66.150 are each amended to read as follows:

The state auditor shall audit the books, records, and affairs of the board annually: Provided, That the total annual cost of such audit shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars. The board shall pay to the state treasurer for the credit of the state auditor, out of the liquor revolving fund, the sum of ten thousand dollars a year, or so much thereof as is necessary, to defray the costs of such audits. The board may provide for additional audits by certified public accountants the total annual cost of which shall not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. All such audits shall be public records of the state. The payment of the audits provided for in this section shall be paid as provided in section 4 of this amendatory act for other administrative expenses.

SEC. 4. There is added to chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and to chapter 43.66 RCW a new section to read as follows:

All administrative expenses of the board incurred on and after July 1, 1961 shall be paid from the general fund which shall be reimbursed from the liquor revolving fund at the same time that distributions are made. These administrative expenses shall
include, but not be limited to: The salaries and expenses of the board and its employees, the cost of establishing, leasing, maintaining, and operating state liquor stores and warehouses, legal services, annual or other audits, and other general costs of conducting the business of the board. The administrative expenses shall not, however, be deemed to include costs of liquor purchased, the cost of transportation and delivery to the point of distribution, other costs pertaining to the acquisition and receipt of liquor, packaging and repackaging of liquor, sales tax, and those amounts distributed pursuant to RCW 43.66.080, 43.66.090, 43.66.100, 43.66.110 and 43.66.130.

SEC. 5. There is added to chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and to chapter 43.66 RCW a new section to read as follows:

On June 30, 1961, the Washington state liquor control board shall deliver and transfer to the state treasurer, as custodian, all moneys and accounts which comprise the liquor revolving fund, except change funds and petty cash, and the state treasurer shall assume custody thereof. All obligations outstanding as of June 30, 1961 shall be paid out of the liquor revolving fund.

SEC. 6. Sections 74 and 75, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and RCW 43.66.070 and 43.66.160 are each hereby repealed.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect on June 30, 1961.

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Passed the House March 22, 1961.
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