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Wine retailer's There shall be a wine retailer's license to be designated as class F license to sell wine in bottles and original packages, not to be consumed on the premises where sold, at any store other than the state liquor stores: *Provided*, Such licensee shall pay to the state liquor stores for such wines the current retail price; fee forty-three dollars and seventy-five cents per annum: *Provided*, further, That a holder of a class A or class B license shall be entitled to the privileges permitted in this section by paying an annual fee of twelve dollars and fifty cents for each store.

Effective date.

Sec. 8. The effective date of this 1967 amendatory act is July 1, 1967.

Passed the Senate March 29, 1967.

Passed the House April 17, 1967.

Approved by the Governor April 25, 1967.

## CHAPTER 76.

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 55.]

ESCROW AGENTS.

- AN ACT relating to escrow agents; and amending section 2, chapter 153, Laws of 1965 and RCW 18.44.020.
- Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

RCW 18.44.020 amended. Section 1. Section 2, chapter 153, Laws of 1965 and RCW 18.44.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Escrow agents ---Exemptions. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in business as an escrow agent within this state unless such person has been registered with the department and issued a certificate of registration by the director pursuant to this chapter: *Provided*, That

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the registration requirements of this chapter shall not apply to:

(1) Any person doing business under the law of this state or the United States relating to banks, trust companies, mutual savings banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions, insurance companies, title insurance companies, the duly authorized agents of title insurance companies the business of which agents is exclusively devoted to the title insurance business, or any federally approved agency or lending institution under the National Housing Act.

(2) Any person licensed to practice law in this state while engaged in the performance of his professional duties.

(3) Any company, broker, or agent subject to the jurisdiction of the director while performing acts in the course of or incidental to sales or purchases of real or personal property handled or negotiated by such company, broker, or agent: *Provided*, *however*, That no compensation is received for escrow services.

(4) Any transaction in which money or other property is paid to, deposited with, or transferred to a joint control agent for disbursal or use in payment of the cost of labor, materials, services, permits, fees, or other items of expense incurred in the construction of improvements upon real property.

(5) Any receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, or other person acting under the supervision or order of any superior court of this state or of any federal court.

Passed the Senate April 7, 1967.

Passed the House April 17, 1967.

Approved by the Governor April 25, 1967.