AN ACT Relating to licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages; amending section 27, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 ex. sess. as last amended by section 10, chapter 209, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 66.24.010; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 27, chapter 62, Laws of 1933 ex. sess. as last amended by section 10, chapter 209, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 66.24.010 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Every license shall be issued in the name of the applicant and the holder thereof shall not allow any other person to use the license.

(2) For the purpose of considering any application for a license, the board may cause an inspection of the premises to be made, and may inquire into all matters in connection with the construction and operation of the premises. The board may, in its discretion, grant or refuse the license applied for. No retail license of any kind shall be issued to:

(a) A person who is not a citizen of the United States, except when the privilege is granted by treaty;

(b) A person who has not resided in the state for at least one month prior to making application, except in cases of licenses issued to dining places on railroads, boats, or aircraft;

(c) A person who has been convicted of a felony within five years prior to filing his application;

(d) A copartnership, unless all of the members thereof are qualified to obtain a license, as provided in this section;

(e) A person whose place of business is conducted by a manager or agent, unless such manager or agent possesses the same qualifications required of the licensee;

(f) A corporation, unless all of the officers thereof are citizens of the United States.

(3) The board may, in its discretion, subject to the provisions of RCW 66.08.150, suspend or cancel any license; and all rights of the licensee to keep or sell liquor thereunder shall be suspended or terminated, as the case may be. The board may appoint examiners who shall have power to administer oaths, issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of papers, books, accounts, documents, and testimony, examine witnesses, and to receive testimony in any inquiry, investigation, hearing, or proceeding in
any part of the state, under such rules and regulations as the board may adopt.

Witnesses shall be allowed fees at the rate of four dollars per day, plus ten cents per mile each way. Fees need not be paid in advance of appearance of witnesses to testify or to produce books, records, or other legal evidence.

In case of disobedience of any person to comply with the order of the board or a subpoena issued by the board, or any of its members, or examiners, or on the refusal of a witness to testify to any matter regarding which he may be lawfully interrogated, the judge of the superior court of the county in which the person resides, on application of any member of the board or examiner, shall compel obedience by contempt proceedings, as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from said court or a refusal to testify therein.

(4) Upon receipt of notice of the suspension or cancellation of a license, the licensee shall forthwith deliver up the license to the board. Where the license has been suspended only, the board shall return the license to the licensee at the expiration or termination of the period of suspension, with a memorandum of the suspension written or stamped upon the face thereof in red ink. The board shall notify all vendors in the city or place where the licensee has its premises of the suspension or cancellation of the license; and no employee shall allow or cause any liquor to be delivered to or for any person at the premises of that licensee.

(5) Unless sooner canceled, every license issued by the board shall expire at midnight of the thirtieth day of June of the fiscal year for which it was issued; PROVIDED, That the foregoing expiration date shall not apply to class A, B, C, D, or H licenses issued for premises located on the site of any world exposition approved by the Bureau of International Expositions held in this state, and such licenses shall be valid without renewal for a period of two hundred days from and including the opening day of such exposition, or from and including such earlier date specified by the applicant.

(6) Every license issued under this section shall be subject to all conditions and restrictions imposed by this title or by the regulations in force from time to time.

(7) Every licensee shall post and keep posted its license, or licenses, in a conspicuous place on the premises.

(8) Before the board shall issue a license to an applicant it shall give notice of such application to the chief executive officer of the incorporated city or town, if the application be for a license within an incorporated city or town, or to the board of county
commissioners, if the application be for a license outside the boundaries of incorporated cities or towns; and such incorporated city or town, through the official or employee selected by it, or the board of county commissioners or the official or employee, selected by it, shall have the right to file with the board within twenty days after date of transmittal of such notice, written objections against the applicant or against the premises for which the license is asked, and shall include with such objections a statement of all facts upon which such objections are based, and in case written objections are filed, may request and the liquor control board may in its discretion hold a formal hearing subject to the applicable provisions of chapter 34.04 RCW, as now or hereafter amended. Upon the granting of a license under this title the board shall cause a duplicate of the license to be transmitted to the chief executive officer of the incorporated city or town in which the license is granted, or to the board of county commissioners if the license is granted outside the boundaries of incorporated cities or towns.

(9) Before the board issues any license to any applicant, it shall give due consideration to the location of the business to be conducted under such license with respect to the proximity of churches, schools and public institutions: PROVIDED, That ((on and after the effective date of this act)) the board shall issue no beer retailer license class A, B, or D or wine retailer license class C covering any premises not now licensed, if such premises are within five hundred feet of the premises of any church, parochial or tax-supported public elementary or secondary school measured along the most direct route over or across established public walks, streets or other public passageway from the outer property line of the church or school grounds to the nearest public entrance of the premises proposed for license, unless the board shall receive written notice from an official representative or representatives of the schools and/or churches within five hundred feet of said proposed licensed premises, indicating to the board that there is no objection to the issuance of such license because of proximity to a school or church. For the purpose of this section, church shall mean a building erected for and used exclusively for religious worship and schooling or other activity in connection therewith.

(10) The restrictions set forth in the preceding subsection shall not prohibit the board from authorizing the transfer of existing licenses now located within the restricted area to other persons or locations within the restricted area: PROVIDED, Such transfer shall in no case result in establishing the licensed premises closer to a church or school than it was before the transfer.
NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 1974 amendatory act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.


CHAPTER 67
[Senate Bill No. 3144]
GAME COMMISSION—FISH AND WILDLIFE LOSSES—COMPENSATION

AN ACT Relating to fish and wildlife losses; and amending section 77.12.320, chapter 36, Laws of 1955 and RCW 77.12.320.

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

Section 1. Section 77.12.320, chapter 36, Laws of 1955 and RCW 77.12.320 are each amended to read as follows:

The commission may enter into agreements with persons, municipal subdivisions of this state, the United States, or any of its agencies or instrumentalities regarding all matters concerning propagation, protection and conservation of wild animals, wild birds and game fish and concerning hunting or fishing therefor.

The commission may at any time on behalf of the state accept compensation for fish and wildlife losses or gifts or grants of personal property for use by the department. Any money, when received by the commission or the department, shall currently be delivered to the state treasurer for deposit in the state game fund: PROVIDED, That any compensation for fish and wildlife losses or gifts or grants of money received by the commission under conditions, limitations or restrictions may be retained or expended by the commission under any such provisions.