

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0084

Special event liquor permit.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Illoway, Morgan and
Simpson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to alcoholic beverages; authorizing the
2 issuance of a special event liquor permit for rodeos
3 operated by nongovernmental entities; specifying conditions
4 and limitations; imposing annual fee requirement; and
5 providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 12-4-507 is created to read:

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11 **12-4-507. Special event liquor permit for rodeos**
12 **operated by nongovernmental entities.**

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14 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title
15 and subject to subsection (d) of this section, the
16 appropriate licensing authority may upon application, issue

1 to the board of directors of a nongovernmental entity
2 operating a rodeo event within the jurisdiction of the
3 licensing authority a special event liquor permit for the
4 sale of alcoholic and malt beverages. Restrictions imposed
5 under the retail liquor license population formula pursuant
6 to W.S. 12-4-201 shall not apply to a special event liquor
7 permit issued under this section. Any entity licensed under
8 this section shall not be issued and is not eligible for a
9 twenty-four (24) hour malt beverage permit or catering
10 permit authorized under W.S. 12-4-502.

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12 (b) The special event liquor permit issued under
13 subsection (a) of this section shall not authorize the sale
14 of alcoholic liquor or malt beverages for consumption off
15 the premises owned or leased by the permittee.

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17 (c) The annual fee for the special event liquor
18 permit authorized under this section shall not exceed one
19 thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), payable in
20 advance.

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22 (d) The local licensing authority issuing the permit
23 shall by rule and regulation establish the following
24 conditions and limitations for the special event liquor

1 permit issued under this section which, to the extent
2 applicable, are not less stringent than relevant
3 requirements and provisions of this title:

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5 (i) The location of dispensing rooms;

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7 (ii) The furnishings and other features of the
8 dispensing rooms;

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10 (iii) The location of areas where alcoholic
11 liquor and malt beverages may be consumed on the premises
12 owned or leased by the permittee;

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14 (iv) The hours and days of operation of the
15 dispensing room;

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17 (v) A uniform procedure of age identification
18 for employees working within the dispensing rooms and for
19 all purchasers of alcoholic liquor and malt beverages;

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21 (vi) With the exception of areas designated as
22 "sponsor and guest only" located on the premises owned or
23 leased by the permittee, alcoholic liquor and malt

1 beverages shall not be served as part of the permittee's
2 daily operations;

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4 (vii) Alcoholic liquor and malt beverages shall
5 only be served in conjunction with the permittee's catered
6 events or sponsored special events;

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8 (viii) If alcoholic liquor and malt beverages
9 are being served for a catered or sponsored special event
10 during the permittee's normal operating hours, the site,
11 area or property where the alcoholic liquor and malt
12 beverages are being served shall be restricted from the
13 general public and the perimeter of the event secured so
14 that alcoholic liquor and malt beverages are not carried
15 into other areas or properties of the permittee where
16 members of the general public who are not participating in
17 the catered or special event are present;

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19 (ix) Other rules and regulations the licensing
20 authority determines necessary to carry out this section.

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22 **Section 2.** W.S. 12-4-502(c) is amended to read:

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1 **12-4-502. Twenty-four hour malt beverage permit and**
2 **catering permit; restrictions; application procedure; fees.**

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4 (c) The permits authorized by this section shall be
5 issued for one (1) twenty-four (24) hour period, subject to
6 the schedule of operating hours provided by W.S. 12-5-101.
7 No person or organization shall receive more than a total
8 of twelve (12) malt beverage and catering permits for sales
9 at the same premises in any one (1) year, except that this
10 limitation shall not be applicable to malt beverage permits
11 issued for sales at any fair, rodeo, pari-mutuel event or
12 other similar public event conducted by a public entity
13 upon public premises. No person or organization issued a
14 special event liquor permit under W.S. 12-4-507 is eligible
15 to receive, nor shall the licensing authority issue to such
16 person or organization, a malt beverage or catering permit
17 under this section.

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19 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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