

ORDINANCE NO. 2578

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2 AN ORDINANCE relating to licensing of  
3 amusement places; prohibiting the issuance  
4 of licenses for certain kinds of amuse-  
ments; adding a new section to Ordinance  
1888 and K.C.C. 6.08.

5 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

6 PURPOSES: Under the authority of Washington Constitution  
7 Article 11, Section 11, the County Council does hereby find  
8 that there exists in the County a probability of nude and semi-  
9 nude acts, exhibitions and entertainment and of undress by em-  
10 ployees of food, drink and like establishments serving the public  
11 and that such acts and commercial exploitation of nudity is ad-  
12 verse to the public peace, morals and good order and that it is  
13 in the best interest of the public safety and convenience that  
14 the County restrict such nudity and the commercial promotion and  
15 exploitation thereof.

16 NEW SECTION 1. Licensing. No amusement license shall be  
17 issued, maintained or renewed to any person proposing to operate  
18 or maintain or in fact operating or maintaining a public place  
19 within King County, outside the incorporated limits of cities  
20 and towns, where an employee will not conform and abide by the  
21 following requirements for his or her conduct thereon.

22 Subsection A. No person employed in the sale or ser-  
23 vice of food and/or drink in or upon the licenses or proposed  
24 licensed place shall be unclothed or in such attire, costume or  
25 clothing so as to expose to view any portion of the breast below  
26 the top of the areola or of any portion of the pubic hair, anus,  
27 crest of the buttocks, vulva or genitals.

28 Subsection B. No person employed as a hostess, enter-  
29 tainer or person to mingle with the patrons shall be unclothed  
30 or in such attire, costume or clothing as described in paragraph  
31 **A** above.

1           Subsection C. No employee described in A and B above  
2 shall encourage or permit any person upon the premises to touch,  
3 caress or fondle the breasts, buttocks, anus or genitals of any  
4 other person.

5           Subsection D. No employee as described in A and B  
6 above shall wear or use any device or covering exposed to view  
7 which simulates the breast, genitals, anus, pubic hair or any  
8 portion thereof.

9           Subsection E. No employee as described in A and B  
10 above shall perform acts of or acts which simulate (i) sexual  
11 intercourse, masturbation, sodomy, bestiality, oral copulation,  
12 flagellation or any sexual acts which are prohibited by law;  
13 (ii) the touching, caressing or fondling of the breasts, buttocks  
14 or genitals; (iii) the displaying of the pubic hair, anus, vulva  
15 or genitals.

16           Subsection F. No employee as described in A and B  
17 above, whose breasts and/or buttocks are exposed to view shall  
18 perform elsewhere in a public place except upon a stage at least  
19 eighteen inches above the immediate floor level and removed at  
20 least six feet from the nearest patron.

21           Subsection G. No employee as described in A and B  
22 above shall use artificial devices or inanimate objects to de-  
23 pict any of the prohibited activities described above.

24           Subsection H. No employee as described in A and B  
25 above shall remain in or upon the public place who exposes to  
26 public view any portion of his or her genitals or anus.

27           SECTION 2. Premise Requirements. No amusement license  
28 shall be issued, maintained or renewed as set forth in Section  
29 1 above and where activity of any employee will follow that  
30 authorized by Section 1, subsection F unless:  
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1 A. Admission to the public place is restricted to  
2 persons of the age of twenty-one (21) years or more; and

3 B. The performance is not visible outside of the  
4 public place so licensed.

5 SECTION 3. Exemption. This ordinance does not apply to:

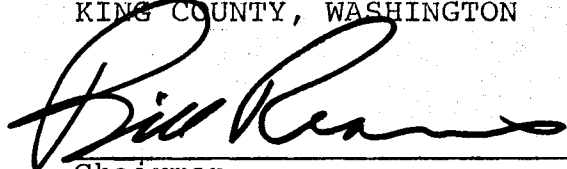
6 Subsection A. Taverns and premises maintaining liquor  
7 licenses or;

8 Subsection B. Any theater, concert hall or similar  
9 establishment which is primarily devoted to theatrical per-  
10 formances whereupon there are seats arranged so that a body of  
11 spectators have an unobstructed view of the stage for performance  
12 of artistic expression and where such performances are not in-  
13 cidental to the promoting of the sale of food and drink and  
14 for which a county license is otherwise in full force and effect.

15 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
16 December, 1975.

17 PASSED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 1975.

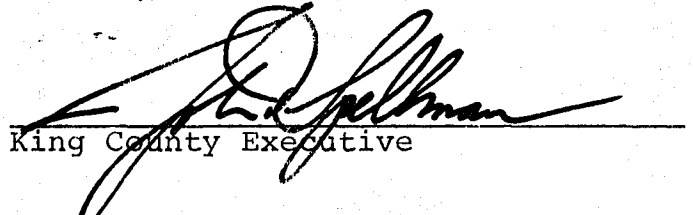
18 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
19 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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21 Chairman

22 ATTEST:

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24 Dorothy M. Owens  
25 Clerk of the Council

26 APPROVED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1975.

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28 King County Executive