

ORDINANCE NO. 2625

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AN ORDINANCE relating to licensing of amusement places; prohibiting the issuance of licenses for certain kinds of amusements; adding a new section to Ordinance 1888 and K.C.C. 6.08.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

PURPOSES: Under the authority of Washington Constitution Article 11, Section 11, the County Council does hereby find that there exists in the County a probability of nude and semi-nude acts, exhibitions and entertainment and of undress by employees of food, drink and like establishments serving the public and that such acts and commercial exploitation of nudity is adverse to the public peace, morals and good order and that it is in the best interest of the public safety and convenience that the County restrict such nudity and the commercial promotion and exploitation thereof.

SECTION 1. Ordinance 2578 is hereby repealed.

NEW SECTION 2. Licensing. No amusement license shall be issued, maintained or renewed to any person proposing to operate or maintain or in fact operating or maintaining a public place within King County, outside the incorporated limits of cities and towns, where an employee will not conform and abide by the following requirements for his or her conduct thereon.

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

Subsection B. No person employed as a hostess, entertainer or person to mingle with the patrons shall be unclothed or in such attire, costume or clothing as described in paragraph 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 to public view any portion of his or her genitals or anus.

27           SECTION 3. 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:

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 4. 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 26<sup>th</sup> day of

16 January, 1976

17 PASSED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1976.

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19 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
20 KING COUNTY WASHINGTON

21 David J. Mooney  
22 Chairman

23 ATTEST:

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25 Dorothy M. Owens  
26 Clerk of the Council

27 APPROVED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1976.

28 [Signature]  
29 King County Executive  
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