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## 2. Amend rule: WAC 314-55-570(4)(d)

I am requesting the following change: Current social equity retail license holders are not allowed to transfer their licenses to a different county than the one it was assigned in. This should be changed to allow the current social equity retail license holders the option to locate anywhere within the state of Washington. Out of the current social equity retail license holders only a few have secured locations. There is a current rule making process going on for a second round of social equity licenses. These licenses are expected to have the option to locate anywhere within the state of Washington. If the next round of social equity licensees is given this option, then WAC 314-55-570(4)(d) should be changed to allow the current round of social equity licensees to also have this option. There has been great hardship for this current round of social equity retail license holders with securing locations for a retail store in their assigned counties. Allowing the option to locate anywhere within the state of Washington for the next round of social equity licensees without granting that option for the current social equity licensees would create an advantage for the next round of social equity licensees while the current round of social equity licensees continue to struggle finding a location within their assigned county.