

## Thurston County Libertarian Party

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### Washington State LCB Seeks to Permanently Remove Frankie's Liquor License

“The Libertarian Party of Thurston County continues to stand with Frank Schnarr against continued government over reach and incursion on private property rights” (Chris Rohloff. LPTC)

From the days of Prohibition to 2012, Washington State's Liquor Control Board was responsible for the distribution of hard liquor in the state. Then with the passage of initiative 1183 which privatized the retail liquor market in November of 2011 by 59 to 41 percent the LCB has been an agency in search of a mission.

The LCB found some more work with the passage of Initiative 502 and the partial legalization of Marijuana (more properly called cannabis) in the state in 2012 by 56 to 44% of the voters. Since then the agency has been re-christened the Washington Liquor and Cannabis Board.

With plenty of time on their hands and fewer problems than when they were strictly regulating alcohol, the board decided to revoke the license of Frankie's Bar and Grill. The bar's owner, Frankie Schnarr, had made a habit of helping others including a number of veterans who are having difficulties finding work, shelter and a good meal. While Frankie's is known for its upstairs smoking room it is also known as a place that helps those in need.

“He's a good man, he gives free meals (amazing meals at that) to people in need, he put my family in a temp home a month before i gave birth to my son so I didn't lose my kids. He's helped numerous other families.” wrote Kayla Bellows Cote, in reply to [a post about Frankie's](#) on Facebook. “He tried his best to help us and did as much as he could and I'm forever thankful for him.”

Rather than allowing Mr. Schnarr to operate his private club the way he chooses, and allowing citizens of the area to enjoy their right to use marijuana, the State has decided that Mr. Schnarr and his “Friends of Franky” are not allowed to participate in a legal activity on private property.

With the way things are going the government doesn't need any more bad publicity. Instead of running rough shod over people, putting them out of work and costing them money maybe they LCB should take a lesson from Frankie and learn how to help people. If they have decided Schnarr is someone they cannot take a lesson from, perhaps they could learn from Denver who has just [passed a measure](#) allowing marijuana to be consumed in bars and restaurants.

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