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1 AN ACT Relating to creating cost savings by providing
2 administrative flexibility to the department of fish and wildlife in
3 its implementation of Title 77 RCW while not directing any changes to
4 resource management outcomes; amending RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.120,
5 77.04.150, 77.04.160, 77.12.068, 77.12.184, 77.12.360, 77.12.451,
6 77.12.670, 77.12.702, 77.12.755, 77.12.820, 77.12.880, 77.15.110,
7 77.15.245, 77.15.260, 77.15.620, 77.55.141, 77.55.241, 77.57.040,
8 77.57.060, 77.60.170, 77.65.560, 77.70.010, 77.70.210, 77.70.280,
9 77.70.360, 77.70.390, 77.85.020, 77.85.040, 77.85.130, 77.85.160,
10 77.85.220, 77.85.230, 77.95.020, 77.95.090, 77.95.190, 77.95.200,
11 77.95.230, 77.95.310, 77.100.050, 77.100.060, 77.115.010, 88.02.640,
12 and 43.43.400; reenacting and amending RCW 77.08.045, 77.85.140, and
13 77.08.010; adding a new section to chapter 77.135 RCW; creating a new
14 section; repealing RCW 77.12.605, 77.12.710, 77.12.879, and
15 77.65.900; and providing an expiration date.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

17 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.04.012 and 2000 c 107 s 2 are each amended to
18 read as follows:

19 (1) Wildlife, fish, and shellfish are the property of the state.
20 The commission, director, and the department shall preserve, protect,

1 perpetuate, and manage the wildlife and food fish, game fish, and
2 shellfish in state waters and offshore waters.

3 (2) The department shall conserve the wildlife and food fish,
4 game fish, and shellfish resources in a manner that does not impair
5 the resource. In a manner consistent with this goal, the department
6 shall seek to maintain the economic well-being and stability of the
7 fishing industry in the state. The department shall promote orderly
8 fisheries and shall enhance and improve recreational and commercial
9 fishing in this state.

10 (3) The commission may authorize the taking of wildlife, food
11 fish, game fish, and shellfish only at times or places, or in manners
12 or quantities, as in the judgment of the commission does not impair
13 the supply of these resources.

14 (4) The commission shall attempt to maximize the public
15 recreational game fishing and hunting opportunities of all citizens,
16 including juveniles, ~~((disabled))~~ individuals with disabilities, and
17 senior citizens.

18 (5) Recognizing that the management of our state wildlife, food
19 fish, game fish, and shellfish resources depends heavily on the
20 assistance of volunteers, the department shall work cooperatively
21 with volunteer groups and individuals to achieve the goals of this
22 title to the greatest extent possible.

23 (6) Nothing in this title shall be construed to infringe on the
24 right of a private property owner to control the owner's private
25 property.

26 **Sec. 2.** RCW 77.04.120 and 2000 c 107 s 3 are each amended to
27 read as follows:

28 (1) The director shall investigate the habits, supply, and
29 economic use of food fish and shellfish in state and offshore waters.

30 (2) When requested, the director shall ~~((make an annual))~~ report
31 to the governor on the operation of the department and ~~((the))~~
32 statistics ~~((of))~~ relating to the fishing industry.

33 (3) Subject to RCW 40.07.040 and consistent with RCW 43.01.036,
34 the director shall, when so requested, provide a ~~((comprehensive~~
35 ~~biennial))~~ report of all departmental operations to the ~~((chairs of~~
36 ~~the committees on natural resources of the senate and house of~~
37 ~~representatives, the senate ways and means committee, and the house~~
38 ~~of representatives appropriations committee, including one copy to~~
39 ~~the staff of each of the committees, to reflect the previous fiscal~~

1 ~~period. The format of the report shall be similar to reports issued~~
2 ~~by the department from 1964-1970 and the report shall include, but~~
3 ~~not be limited to, descriptions of all department activities~~
4 ~~including: Revenues generated, program costs, capital expenditures,~~
5 ~~personnel, special projects, new and ongoing research, environmental~~
6 ~~controls, cooperative projects, intergovernmental agreements, and~~
7 ~~outlines of ongoing litigation, recent court decisions and orders on~~
8 ~~major issues with the potential for state liability. The report shall~~
9 ~~describe the status of the resource and its recreational, commercial,~~
10 ~~and tribal utilization. The report shall)) legislature. The report~~
11 ~~must include the information contained in the reporting request and~~
12 ~~be made available to the public.~~

13 **Sec. 3.** RCW 77.04.150 and 2008 c 294 s 1 are each amended to
14 read as follows:

15 (1) The commission (~~(must)~~) may, if deemed beneficial by the
16 commission, appoint an advisory committee to generally represent the
17 interests of hunters and fishers with disabilities on matters
18 including, but not limited to, special hunts, modified sporting
19 equipment, access to public land, and hunting and fishing
20 opportunities. The advisory committee (~~(is)~~) may not be composed of
21 more than seven members, each being an individual with a disability.
22 The advisory committee members must represent the entire state. (~~The~~
23 ~~members must be appointed so that each of the six department~~
24 ~~administrative regions, as they existed on January 1, 2007, are~~
25 ~~represented with one resident on the advisory committee. One~~
26 ~~additional member must be appointed at large. The chair of the~~
27 ~~advisory committee must be a member of the advisory committee and~~
28 ~~shall be selected by the members of the advisory committee.))~~

29 (2) For the purposes of this section, an individual with a
30 disability includes but is not limited to:

31 (a) An individual with a permanent disability who is not
32 ambulatory over natural terrain without a prosthesis or assistive
33 device;

34 (b) An individual with a permanent disability who is unable to
35 walk without the use of assistance from a brace, cane, crutch,
36 wheelchair, scooter, walker, or other assistive device;

37 (c) An individual who has a cardiac condition to the extent that
38 the individual's functional limitations are severe;

1 (d) An individual who is restricted by lung disease to the extent
2 that the individual's functional limitations are severe;

3 (e) An individual who is totally blind or visually impaired; or

4 (f) An individual with a permanent disability with upper or lower
5 extremity impairments who does not have the use of one or both upper
6 or lower extremities.

7 (3) The members of the advisory committee are appointed for not
8 more than a four-year term. If a vacancy occurs on the advisory
9 committee prior to the expiration of a term, the commission must
10 appoint a replacement (~~((within sixty days))~~) to complete the term.

11 (4) The advisory committee must meet at least semiannually, and
12 may meet at other times as requested by a majority of the advisory
13 committee members for any express purpose that directly relates to
14 the duties set forth in subsection (1) of this section. A majority of
15 members currently serving on the advisory committee constitutes a
16 quorum. The department must provide staff support for all official
17 advisory committee meetings.

18 (5) Each member of the advisory committee shall serve without
19 compensation but may be reimbursed for travel expenses as authorized
20 in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

21 (6) The members of the advisory committee, or individuals acting
22 on their behalf, are immune from civil liability for official acts
23 performed in the course of their duties.

24 (~~((7) Beginning December 1, 2011, and again at least once every~~
25 ~~four years, the commission shall present a report to the appropriate~~
26 ~~legislative committees detailing the effectiveness of the advisory~~
27 ~~committee including, but not limited to, the participation levels,~~
28 ~~general interest, quality of advice, and recommendations as to the~~
29 ~~advisory committee's continuance or modification.))~~)

30 **Sec. 4.** RCW 77.04.160 and 2001 c 337 s 5 are each amended to
31 read as follows:

32 (1) The department shall (~~((prepare an annual))~~) annually provide
33 information to the recreation and conservation office regarding
34 surplus salmon ((report)). (~~((This report shall))~~) The information must
35 include the disposition of adult salmonids that have returned to
36 salmonid hatchery facilities operated under the jurisdiction of the
37 state that:

38 (a) Have not been harvested; and

39 (b) Were not allowed to escape for natural spawning.

1 (2) The ~~((report))~~ information shall include, by species, the
2 number and estimated weight of surplus salmon and steelhead and a
3 description of the disposition of the adult carcasses including, but
4 not limited to, the following categories:

5 (a) Disposed in landfills;

6 (b) Transferred to another government agency for reproductive
7 purposes;

8 (c) Sold to contract buyers in the round;

9 (d) Sold to contract buyers after spawning;

10 (e) Transferred to Native American tribes;

11 (f) Donated to food banks; and

12 (g) Used in stream nutrient enrichment programs.

13 (3) The ~~((report—shall))~~ information must also include, by
14 species, information on the number of requests for viable salmon
15 eggs, the number of these requests that were granted and the number
16 that were denied, the geographic areas for which these requests were
17 granted or denied, and a brief explanation given for each denial of a
18 request for viable salmon eggs.

19 (4) The ~~((report—shall—be))~~ information provided to the
20 recreation and conservation office under this section must be
21 included in the biennial ((state of the salmon)) report ((required by
22 RCW 77.85.020 and other similar state reports on salmon)) on the
23 statewide status of salmon recovery and watershed health required
24 under RCW 77.85.020.

25 (5) The ~~((report—shall))~~ information must include an assessment
26 of the infrastructure needs and facility modifications necessary to
27 implement chapter 337, Laws of 2001.

28 **Sec. 5.** RCW 77.12.068 and 2008 c 225 s 4 are each amended to
29 read as follows:

30 (1) The department and the state parks and recreation commission
31 ((shall)) may disseminate information about RCW 77.15.740, whale and
32 wildlife viewing guidelines, and other responsible wildlife viewing
33 messages to educate Washington's citizens on how to reduce the risk
34 of disturbing southern resident orca whales. ((The department and the
35 state parks and recreation commission must, at minimum, disseminate))
36 This information ((on their)) may be disseminated through the
37 agencies' internet sites ((and through)), appropriate agency
38 publications((, —brochures)), and other information sources deemed
39 appropriate by either agency.

1 (2) The department and the state parks and recreation commission
2 (~~shall~~) should also attempt to reach the state's boating community
3 by coordinating with appropriate state and nongovernmental entities
4 to provide (~~this~~) the information pursuant to this section at
5 marinas, boat shows, boat dealers, during boating safety training
6 courses, and in conjunction with vessel registration or licensing.

7 **Sec. 6.** RCW 77.12.184 and 2009 c 333 s 31 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The department shall deposit all moneys received from the
10 following activities into the state wildlife account created in RCW
11 77.12.170:

12 (a) The sale of interpretive, recreational, historical,
13 educational, and informational literature and materials;

14 (b) The sale of advertisements in regulation pamphlets and other
15 appropriate mediums; (~~and~~)

16 (c) Enrollment fees in department-sponsored educational training
17 events; and

18 (d) Fees for accessing mobile device applications, or information
19 on mobile device applications, developed by or for the department
20 that provides user content such as licensing, harvest recording and
21 reporting, and access to regulations and information.

22 (2) (~~Moneys collected under subsection (1) of this section shall~~
23 ~~be spent primarily for producing regulation booklets for users and~~
24 ~~for the development, production, reprinting, and distribution of~~
25 ~~informational and educational materials. The department may also~~
26 ~~spend these moneys for necessary expenses associated with training~~
27 ~~activities, and other activities as determined by the director.~~

28 (~~3~~) Regulation and education pamphlets may be subsidized
29 through appropriate advertising, but must be made available free of
30 charge to the users unless the information is provided through a
31 mobile device application.

32 (~~4~~) (3) The director may enter into joint ventures with other
33 agencies and organizations to generate revenue for providing public
34 information and education on wildlife (~~and~~) hunting (~~and~~) and
35 fishing (~~rules~~) and recreation.

36 **Sec. 7.** RCW 77.12.360 and 1980 c 78 s 54 are each amended to
37 read as follows:

1 Upon written request of the department, the department of natural
2 resources may withdraw from lease state-owned lands described in the
3 request. The request shall bear the endorsement of the county
4 legislative authority if the lands were acquired under RCW
5 (~~76.12.030 or 76.12.080~~) 79.22.040 or 79.22.020. Withdrawals shall
6 conform to the state outdoor recreation plan. If the lands are held
7 for the benefit of the common school fund or another fund, the
8 department shall pay compensation equal to the lease value of the
9 lands to the appropriate fund.

10 **Sec. 8.** RCW 77.12.451 and 1990 c 36 s 1 are each amended to read
11 as follows:

12 (1) The director may take or remove any species of fish or
13 shellfish from the waters or beaches of the state.

14 (2) The director may sell food fish or shellfish caught or taken
15 during department test fishing operations.

16 (3) The director shall not sell inedible salmon for human
17 consumption. Salmon and carcasses may be given to state institutions
18 or schools or to economically depressed people, unless the salmon are
19 unfit for human consumption. Salmon not fit for human consumption may
20 be sold by the director for animal food, fish food, or for industrial
21 purposes.

22 (4) In the sale of surplus salmon from state hatcheries, (~~the~~
23 ~~division of purchasing shall require that~~) a portion of the surplus
24 salmon must be processed and returned to the state by the purchaser.
25 The processed salmon shall be fit for human consumption and in a form
26 suitable for distribution to individuals. The (~~division of~~
27 ~~purchasing shall establish the~~) required percentage must be set at a
28 level that does not discourage competitive bidding for the surplus
29 salmon. The measure of the percentage is the combined value of all of
30 the surplus salmon sold. The department of social and health services
31 shall distribute the processed salmon to economically depressed
32 individuals and state institutions pursuant to rules adopted by the
33 department of social and health services.

34 **Sec. 9.** RCW 77.08.045 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 21 s 17 and 2011 c
35 339 s 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

36 As used in this title or rules adopted pursuant to this title:

37 (1) "Migratory waterfowl" means members of the family Anatidae,
38 including (~~brants,~~) ducks, geese, and swans;

1 (2) "Migratory bird" means migratory game birds, including
2 migratory waterfowl and coots, snipe, doves, and band-tailed pigeon;

3 (3) "Migratory bird permit" means the permit that is required by
4 RCW 77.32.350 to be in the possession of all persons to hunt
5 migratory birds; and

6 (4) (~~("Prints and artwork")~~) "Migratory bird artwork" means the
7 stamps, prints, and other replicas of the original stamp design that
8 are sold to the general public. (~~(Prints and artwork)~~) Migratory bird
9 stamps are not to be construed to be the migratory bird permits that
10 (~~(is)~~) are required by RCW 77.32.350. (~~(Artwork may be any facsimile~~
11 ~~of the original stamp design, including color renditions, metal~~
12 ~~duplications, or any other kind of design.)~~)

13 **Sec. 10.** RCW 77.12.670 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 21 s 15 are each
14 amended to read as follows:

15 (1) (~~(Beginning July 1, 2011, the department, after soliciting~~
16 ~~recommendations from the public, shall select the design for the~~
17 ~~migratory bird stamp.~~

18 ~~(2))~~) All revenue derived from the sale of migratory bird
19 (~~(license validations or stamps by the department to any person~~
20 ~~hunting waterfowl or to any stamp collector)~~) permits shall be
21 deposited in the state wildlife account and shall be used only (~~(for~~
22 ~~that portion of the cost of printing and production of the stamps)~~)
23 for:

24 (~~(migratory waterfowl hunters as determined by subsection (4) of~~
25 ~~this section, and for those)~~)

26 (a) Migratory (~~(waterfowl)~~) bird projects specified by the
27 director of the department for the acquisition and development of
28 migratory (~~(waterfowl)~~) bird habitat in the state; and

29 (~~(for)~~) (b) The enhancement, protection, and propagation of
30 migratory (~~(waterfowl)~~) birds in the state.

31 (2) Migratory bird (~~(license validation and stamp)~~) permit funds
32 may not be used on lands controlled by private hunting clubs or on
33 private lands that charge a fee for public access. Migratory bird
34 (~~(license validation and stamp)~~) permit funds may be used for
35 migratory (~~(waterfowl)~~) bird projects on private land where public
36 hunting is provided by written permission or on areas established by
37 the department as (~~(waterfowl)~~) hunting closures.

38 (3) (~~(All revenue derived from the sale of the license validation~~
39 ~~and stamp by the department to persons hunting solely nonwaterfowl~~

1 migratory birds shall be deposited in the state wildlife account and
2 shall be used only for that portion of the cost of printing and
3 production of the stamps for nonwaterfowl migratory bird hunters as
4 determined by subsection (4) of this section, and for those
5 nonwaterfowl migratory bird projects specified by the director for
6 the acquisition and development of nonwaterfowl migratory bird
7 habitat in the state and for the enhancement, protection, and
8 propagation of nonwaterfowl migratory birds in the state.

9 (4) With regard to the revenue from license validation and stamp
10 sales that is not the result of sales to stamp collectors, the
11 department shall determine the proportion of migratory waterfowl
12 hunters and solely nonwaterfowl migratory bird hunters by using the
13 yearly migratory bird hunter harvest information program survey
14 results or, in the event that these results are not available, other
15 similar survey results. A two-year average of the most recent survey
16 results shall be used to determine the proportion of the revenue
17 attributed to migratory waterfowl hunters and the proportion
18 attributed to solely nonwaterfowl migratory bird hunters for each
19 fiscal year. For fiscal year 1998-99 and for fiscal year 1999-2000,
20 ninety six percent of the stamp revenue shall be attributed to
21 migratory waterfowl hunters and four percent of the stamp revenue
22 shall be attributed to solely nonwaterfowl migratory game hunters.

23 (5)) Acquisition shall include but not be limited to the
24 acceptance of gifts of real estate or any interest therein or the
25 rental, lease, or purchase of real estate or any interest therein. If
26 the department acquires any fee interest, leasehold, or rental
27 interest in real property under this section, it shall allow the
28 general public reasonable access to that property and shall, if
29 appropriate, ensure that the deed or other instrument creating the
30 interest allows such access to the general public. If the department
31 obtains a covenant in real property in its favor or an easement or
32 any other interest in real property under this section, it shall
33 exercise its best efforts to ensure that the deed or other instrument
34 creating the interest grants to the general public in the form of a
35 covenant running with the land reasonable access to the property. The
36 private landowner from whom the department obtains such a covenant or
37 easement shall retain the right of granting access to the lands by
38 written permission, but may not charge a fee for access.

1 ~~((6) The department may produce migratory bird stamps in any~~
2 ~~given year in excess of those necessary for sale in that year. The~~
3 ~~excess stamps may be sold to the public.))~~

4 (4) The selection of the annual migratory bird artwork design and
5 the administration, sale, distribution, and other matters relating to
6 the artwork is the responsibility of the department. The department
7 may contract with an appropriate individual or nonprofit organization
8 for selection of the annual migratory bird artwork design and the
9 administration, sale, distribution, and other matters relating to
10 migratory bird artwork.

11 (5) The costs of producing and marketing artwork may be paid out
12 of the total amount brought in from sales of artwork. The remaining
13 amount may only be used to contract with one or more appropriate
14 individuals or nonprofit organizations for the development of
15 waterfowl propagation projects within Washington. The department may
16 not contract with any individual or organization that obtains
17 compensation for allowing waterfowl hunting except if the individual
18 or organization does not require compensation for hunting on the
19 subject property.

20 **Sec. 11.** RCW 77.12.702 and 2007 c 442 s 2 are each amended to
21 read as follows:

22 (1) The department is directed to develop and implement a
23 rockfish research and stock assessment program. Using funds from the
24 rockfish research account created in subsection (2) of this section,
25 the department must conduct Puget Sound basin and coastal surveys
26 ~~((with new and existing technology))~~ to estimate the current
27 abundance and future recovery of rockfish populations and other
28 groundfish species. The stock assessment must include an evaluation
29 of the potential for marine fish enhancement. ~~((Beginning December~~
30 ~~2008, and every two years thereafter,))~~ When so requested, the
31 department shall report to ~~((the appropriate committees of))~~ the
32 legislature, consistent with RCW 43.01.036, on the status of the
33 stock assessment program.

34 (2) The rockfish research account is created in the custody of
35 the state treasurer. All receipts from surcharges assessed on
36 commercial and recreational fishing licenses for the purposes of
37 rockfish research must be deposited into the account. Expenditures
38 from the account may be used only for rockfish research, including
39 stock assessments. Only the director of the department or the

1 director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The
2 account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW,
3 but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

4 **Sec. 12.** RCW 77.12.755 and 2003 c 311 s 10 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) In coordination with the department of natural resources and
7 lead entity groups, the department must establish a ranked inventory
8 of fish passage barriers on land owned by small forest landowners
9 based on the principle of fixing the worst first within a watershed
10 consistent with the fish passage priorities of the forest and fish
11 report.

12 (2) In implementing this section, the department shall first
13 gather and synthesize all available existing information about the
14 locations and impacts of fish passage barriers in Washington. This
15 information must include, but not be limited to, the most recently
16 available limiting factors analysis conducted pursuant to RCW
17 77.85.060(2), the stock status information contained in the
18 department ~~((of fish and wildlife))~~ salmonid stock inventory
19 ~~((SASSI))~~ (SaSI), the salmon and steelhead habitat inventory and
20 assessment project (SSHIAP), and any comparable science-based
21 assessment when available.

22 (3) The inventory of fish passage barriers developed under this
23 section must be kept reasonably current ~~((and at a minimum be updated~~
24 ~~by the beginning of each calendar year))~~ as the director of the
25 department determines funding allows.

26 (4) Nothing in this section grants the department or others
27 additional right of entry onto private property.

28 **Sec. 13.** RCW 77.12.820 and 2009 c 333 s 52 are each amended to
29 read as follows:

30 (1) The eastern Washington pheasant enhancement account is
31 created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts under RCW
32 77.12.810 must be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account are
33 subject to legislative appropriation and shall be used for the
34 purpose of funding ~~((the))~~ an eastern Washington pheasant enhancement
35 program.

36 (2) The department may use moneys from the eastern Washington
37 pheasant enhancement account to improve pheasant habitat ~~((or))~~ to
38 purchase or produce pheasants ~~((The department must))~~ , and to

1 continue to release rooster pheasants in eastern Washington. The
2 eastern Washington pheasant enhancement account funds (~~must~~) may
3 not be used for the purchase of land.

4 (3) The eastern Washington pheasant enhancement account may be
5 used to offer grants to improve pheasant habitat on public or private
6 lands that are open to public hunting.

7 (4) The department may enter partnerships with private
8 landowners, nonprofit corporations, cooperative groups, and federal
9 or state agencies for the purposes of pheasant habitat enhancement in
10 areas that will be available for public hunting.

11 (5) The department shall (~~submit an annual report to the~~
12 ~~appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1st~~) make
13 information regarding the department's eastern Washington pheasant
14 activities available upon request.

15 **Sec. 14.** RCW 77.12.880 and 2003 c 153 s 3 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 The department shall, when deemed appropriate by the department,
18 manage wildlife programs in a manner that provides for public
19 opportunities to view wildlife and supports nature-based and wildlife
20 viewing tourism without impairing the state's wildlife resources.

21 **Sec. 15.** RCW 77.15.110 and 2012 c 176 s 13 are each amended to
22 read as follows:

23 (1) For purposes of this chapter, a person acts for commercial
24 purposes if the person engages in conduct that relates to commerce in
25 fish, seaweed, shellfish, or wildlife or any parts thereof.
26 Commercial conduct may include taking, delivering, selling, buying,
27 or trading fish, seaweed, shellfish, or wildlife where there is
28 present or future exchange of money, goods, or any valuable
29 consideration. Evidence that a person acts for commercial purposes
30 includes, but is not limited to, the following conduct:

31 (a) Using gear typical of that used in commercial fisheries;

32 (b) Exceeding the bag or possession limits for personal use by
33 taking or possessing more than three times the amount of fish,
34 seaweed, shellfish, or wildlife allowed;

35 (c) Delivering or attempting to deliver fish, seaweed, shellfish,
36 or wildlife to a person who sells or resells fish, seaweed,
37 shellfish, or wildlife including any licensed or unlicensed
38 wholesaler;

1 (d) Taking fish or shellfish using a vessel designated on a
2 commercial fishery license or using gear not authorized in a personal
3 use fishery;

4 (e) Using a commercial fishery license;

5 (f) Selling or dealing in raw furs for a fee or in exchange for
6 goods or services;

7 (g) Performing taxidermy service on fish, shellfish, or wildlife
8 belonging to another person for a fee or receipt of goods or
9 services; or

10 (h) Packs, cuts, processes, or stores the meat of wildlife for
11 consumption, for a fee or in exchange for goods or services.

12 (2) For purposes of this chapter, the value of any fish, seaweed,
13 shellfish, or wildlife may be proved based on evidence of legal or
14 illegal sales involving the person charged or any other person, of
15 offers to sell or solicitation of offers to sell by the person
16 charged or by any other person, or of any market price for the fish,
17 seaweed, shellfish, or wildlife including market price for farm-
18 raised game animals. The value assigned to specific fish, seaweed,
19 shellfish, or wildlife by RCW 77.15.420 or 77.15.370 may be presumed
20 to be the value of such fish, seaweed, shellfish, or wildlife. It is
21 not relevant to proof of value that the person charged misrepresented
22 that the fish, seaweed, shellfish, or wildlife was taken in
23 compliance with law if the fish, seaweed, shellfish, or wildlife was
24 unlawfully taken and had no lawful market value.

25 **Sec. 16.** RCW 77.15.245 and 2005 c 107 s 1 are each amended to
26 read as follows:

27 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 77.12.240,
28 (~~77.36.020,~~) 77.36.030, or any other provisions of law, it is
29 unlawful to take, hunt, or attract black bear with the aid of bait.

30 (a) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the
31 killing of black bear with the aid of bait by employees or agents of
32 county, state, or federal agencies while acting in their official
33 capacities for the purpose of protecting livestock, domestic animals,
34 private property, or the public safety.

35 (b) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the
36 establishment and operation of feeding stations for black bear in
37 order to prevent damage to commercial timberland.

38 (c) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the
39 director from issuing a permit or memorandum of understanding to a

1 public agency, university, or scientific or educational institution
2 for the use of bait to attract black bear for scientific purposes.

3 (d) As used in this subsection, "bait" means a substance placed,
4 exposed, deposited, distributed, scattered, or otherwise used for the
5 purpose of attracting black bears to an area where one or more
6 persons hunt or intend to hunt them.

7 (2) Notwithstanding RCW 77.12.240, (~~77.36.020,~~) 77.36.030, or
8 any other provisions of law, it is unlawful to hunt or pursue black
9 bear, cougar, bobcat, or lynx with the aid of a dog or dogs.

10 (a) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the
11 killing of black bear, cougar, bobcat, or lynx with the aid of a dog
12 or dogs by employees or agents of county, state, or federal agencies
13 while acting in their official capacities for the purpose of
14 protecting livestock, domestic animals, private property, or the
15 public safety. A dog or dogs may be used by the owner or tenant of
16 real property consistent with a permit issued and conditioned by the
17 director.

18 (b) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the
19 director from issuing a permit or memorandum of understanding to a
20 public agency, university, or scientific or educational institution
21 for the use of a dog or dogs for the pursuit, capture and relocation,
22 of black bear, cougar, bobcat, or lynx for scientific purposes.

23 (c) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the
24 director from issuing a permit or memorandum of understanding to a
25 public agency, university, or scientific or educational institution
26 for the use of a dog or dogs for the killing of black bear, cougar,
27 or bobcat, for the protection of a state and/or federally listed
28 threatened or endangered species.

29 (3)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, the
30 commission shall authorize the use of dogs only in selected areas
31 within a game management unit to address a public safety need
32 presented by one or more cougar. This authority may only be exercised
33 after the commission has determined that no other practical
34 alternative to the use of dogs exists, and after the commission has
35 adopted rules describing the conditions in which dogs may be used.
36 Conditions that may warrant the use of dogs within a game management
37 unit include, but are not limited to, confirmed cougar/human safety
38 incidents, confirmed cougar/livestock and cougar/pet depredations,
39 and the number of cougar capture attempts and relocations.

1 (b) The department shall post on their internet web site the
2 known details of all reported cougar/human, cougar/pet, or cougar/
3 livestock interactions within ten days of receiving the report. The
4 posted material must include, but is not limited to, the location and
5 time of all reported sightings, and the known details of any cougar/
6 livestock incidents.

7 (4) A person who violates subsection (1) or (2) of this section
8 is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. In addition to appropriate criminal
9 penalties, the department shall revoke the hunting license of a
10 person who violates subsection (1) or (2) of this section and order
11 the suspension of wildlife hunting privileges for a period of five
12 years following the revocation. Following a subsequent violation of
13 subsection (1) or (2) of this section by the same person, a hunting
14 license shall not be issued to the person at any time.

15 **Sec. 17.** RCW 77.15.260 and 2012 c 176 s 19 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 (1) A person is guilty of unlawful trafficking in fish,
18 shellfish, or wildlife in the second degree if the person traffics in
19 fish, shellfish, or wildlife with a wholesale value of less than two
20 hundred fifty dollars and:

21 (a) The fish, shellfish, or wildlife is classified as game, food
22 fish, shellfish, game fish, or protected wildlife and the trafficking
23 is not authorized by statute or department rule; or

24 (b) The fish, shellfish, or wildlife is unclassified and the
25 trafficking violates any department rule.

26 (2)(a) A person is guilty of unlawful trafficking in fish,
27 shellfish, or wildlife in the first degree if the person commits the
28 act described by subsection (1) of this section and:

29 (i) The fish, shellfish, or wildlife has a value of two hundred
30 fifty dollars or more; or

31 (ii) The fish, shellfish, or wildlife is designated as an
32 endangered species or deleterious exotic wildlife and such
33 trafficking is not authorized by any statute or department rule.

34 (b) For purposes of this subsection (2), whenever any series of
35 transactions that constitute unlawful trafficking would, when
36 considered separately, constitute unlawful trafficking in the second
37 degree due to the value of the fish, shellfish, or wildlife, and the
38 series of transactions are part of a common scheme or plan, then the
39 transactions may be aggregated in one count and the sum of the value

1 of all the transactions considered when determining the degree of
2 unlawful trafficking involved.

3 (3)(a) Unlawful trafficking in fish, shellfish, or wildlife in
4 the second degree is a class C felony.

5 (b) Unlawful trafficking in fish, shellfish, or wildlife in the
6 first degree is a class B felony.

7 **Sec. 18.** RCW 77.15.620 and 2012 c 176 s 30 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) A person is guilty of engaging in fish dealing activity
10 without a license in the second degree if the person:

11 (a) Engages in the commercial processing of fish or shellfish,
12 including custom canning or processing of personal use fish or
13 shellfish and does not hold a wholesale dealer's license required by
14 RCW 77.65.280(1)(a) or 77.65.480 for anadromous game fish, or a
15 direct retail endorsement under RCW 77.65.510;

16 (b) Engages in the wholesale selling, buying, or brokering of
17 food fish or shellfish and does not hold a wholesale dealer's or
18 buying license required by RCW 77.65.280(~~(+2)~~) (1)(b) or 77.65.480
19 for anadromous game fish;

20 (c) Is a fisher who lands and sells his or her catch or harvest
21 in the state to anyone other than a licensed wholesale dealer within
22 or outside the state and does not hold a direct retail endorsement
23 required by RCW 77.65.510; or

24 (d) Engages in the commercial manufacture or preparation of
25 fertilizer, oil, meal, caviar, fish bait, or other by-products from
26 food fish or shellfish and does not hold a wholesale dealer's license
27 required by RCW 77.65.280(~~(+4)~~) (1)(d) or 77.65.480 for anadromous
28 game fish.

29 (2) A person is guilty of engaging in fish dealing activity
30 without a license in the first degree if the person commits the act
31 described by subsection (1) of this section and the violation
32 involves fish or shellfish worth two hundred fifty dollars or more.

33 (3)(a) Engaging in fish dealing activity without a license in the
34 second degree is a gross misdemeanor.

35 (b) Engaging in fish dealing activity without a license in the
36 first degree is a class C felony.

37 **Sec. 19.** RCW 77.55.141 and 2010 c 210 s 28 are each amended to
38 read as follows:

1 (1) In order to protect the property of marine waterfront
2 shoreline owners it is necessary to facilitate issuance of permits
3 for bulkheads or rockwalls under certain conditions.

4 (2) The department shall issue a permit with or without
5 conditions within forty-five days of receipt of a complete and
6 accurate application which authorizes commencement of construction,
7 replacement, or repair of a marine beach front protective bulkhead or
8 rockwall for single-family type residences or property under the
9 following conditions:

10 (a) The waterward face of a new bulkhead or rockwall shall be
11 located only as far waterward as is necessary to excavate for
12 footings or place base rock for the structure and under no conditions
13 shall be located more than six feet waterward of the ordinary high
14 water line;

15 (b) Any bulkhead or rockwall to replace or repair an existing
16 bulkhead or rockwall shall be placed along the same alignment as the
17 bulkhead or rockwall it is replacing. However, the replaced or
18 repaired bulkhead or rockwall may be placed waterward of and directly
19 abutting the existing structure only in cases where removal of the
20 existing bulkhead or rockwall would result in environmental
21 degradation or removal problems related to geological, engineering,
22 or safety considerations; (~~and~~)

23 (c) Construction of a new bulkhead or rockwall, or replacement or
24 repair of an existing bulkhead or rockwall waterward of the existing
25 structure shall not result in the permanent loss of critical food
26 fish or shellfish habitats; and

27 (d) Timing constraints shall be applied on a case-by-case basis
28 for the protection of critical habitats, including but not limited to
29 migration corridors, rearing and feeding areas, and spawning
30 habitats, for the proper protection of fish life.

31 (3) Any bulkhead or rockwall construction, replacement, or repair
32 not meeting the conditions in this section shall be processed under
33 this chapter in the same manner as any other application.

34 (4) Any person aggrieved by the approval, denial, conditioning,
35 or modification of a permit under this section may appeal the
36 decision as provided in RCW 77.55.021(~~(+4)~~) (8).

37 **Sec. 20.** RCW 77.55.241 and 2010 c 210 s 30 are each amended to
38 read as follows:

1 (1) The legislature finds that the construction of hydraulic
2 projects may require mitigation for the protection of fish life, and
3 that the mitigation may be most cost-effective and provide the most
4 benefit to the fish resource if the mitigation is allowed to be
5 applied in locations that are off-site of the hydraulic project
6 location. The department may approve off-site mitigation plans that
7 are submitted by permit applicants.

8 (2) If a permit applicant proposes off-site mitigation and the
9 department does not approve the permit or conditions the permit in
10 such a manner as to render off-site mitigation unpracticable, the
11 project proponent may appeal the decision as provided in RCW
12 77.55.021(~~((4))~~) (8).

13 **Sec. 21.** RCW 77.57.040 and 2000 c 107 s 14 are each amended to
14 read as follows:

15 If the director determines that a fishway or fish guard described
16 in RCW (~~((77.55.040 and 77.55.060))~~) 77.57.010 and 77.57.030 and in
17 existence on September 1, 1963, is inadequate, in addition to other
18 authority granted in this chapter, the director may remove, relocate,
19 reconstruct, or modify the device, without cost to the owner. The
20 director shall not materially modify the amount of flow of water
21 through the device. After the department has completed the
22 improvements, the fishways and fish guards shall be operated and
23 maintained at the expense of the owner in accordance with RCW
24 (~~((77.55.040 and 77.55.060))~~) 77.57.010 and 77.57.030.

25 **Sec. 22.** RCW 77.57.060 and 2001 c 253 s 21 are each amended to
26 read as follows:

27 The director may authorize removal, relocation, reconstruction,
28 or other modification of an inadequate fishway or fish protective
29 device required by RCW (~~((77.55.320))~~) 77.57.070 which device was in
30 existence on September 1, 1963, without cost to the owner for
31 materials and labor. The modification may not materially alter the
32 amount of water flowing through the fishway or fish protective
33 device. Following modification, the fishway or fish protective device
34 shall be maintained at the expense of the person or governmental
35 agency owning the obstruction or water diversion device.

36 **Sec. 23.** RCW 77.60.170 and 2008 c 202 s 1 are each amended to
37 read as follows:

1 (1)(a) The department shall transfer the funds required by RCW
2 77.60.160 to the appropriate local governments. Pacific and Grays
3 Harbor counties and Puget Sound shall manage their established
4 shellfish—on-site sewage grant program. The local governments, in
5 consultation with the department of health, shall use the provided
6 funds as grants or loans to individuals for repairing or improving
7 their on-site sewage systems. The grants or loans may be provided
8 only in areas that have the potential to adversely affect water
9 quality in commercial and recreational shellfish growing areas.

10 (b) A recipient of a grant or loan shall enter into an agreement
11 with the appropriate local government to maintain the improved on-
12 site sewage system according to specifications required by the local
13 government.

14 (c) The department shall work closely with local governments and
15 it shall be the goal of the department to attain geographic equity
16 between Grays Harbor, Willapa Bay, and Puget Sound when making funds
17 available under this program.

18 (d) For the purposes of this subsection, "geographic equity"
19 means issuing on-site sewage grants or loans at a level that matches
20 the funds generated from the oyster reserve lands in that area.

21 (2) In Puget Sound, the local governments shall give first
22 priority to areas that are:

23 (a) Identified as "areas of special concern" under WAC
24 246-272-01001 as it existed on January 1, 2001;

25 (b) Included within a shellfish protection district under chapter
26 90.72 RCW; or

27 (c) Identified as a marine recovery area under chapter 70.118A
28 RCW.

29 (3) In Grays Harbor and Pacific counties, the local governments
30 shall give first priority to preventing the deterioration of water
31 quality in areas where commercial or recreational shellfish are
32 grown.

33 (4) The department and each participating local government shall
34 enter into a memorandum of understanding that will establish an
35 applicant income eligibility requirement for individual grant
36 applicants from within the jurisdiction and other mutually agreeable
37 terms and conditions of the grant program.

38 ~~((5) For the 2007-2009 biennium, from the funds received under~~
39 ~~this section, Pacific county shall transfer up to two hundred~~
40 ~~thousand dollars to the department. Upon receiving the funds from~~

1 ~~Pacific county, the department and the appropriate oyster reserve~~
2 ~~advisory committee under RCW 77.60.160 shall identify and execute~~
3 ~~specific research projects with those funds.))~~

4 **Sec. 24.** RCW 77.65.560 and 2013 c 314 s 1 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Any application for a food fish guide license under RCW
7 77.65.370 or game fish guide license under RCW 77.65.480 must
8 include:

9 (a) The applicant's driver's license or other government-issued
10 identification card number and the jurisdiction of issuance;

11 (b) The applicant's unified business identifier number under a
12 ((master)) business license issued under RCW 19.02.070;

13 (c) Proof of current certification in first aid and
14 cardiopulmonary resuscitation;

15 (d) A certificate of insurance demonstrating that the applicant
16 has commercial liability coverage of at least three hundred thousand
17 dollars; and

18 (e) If applicable, an original or notarized copy of a valid
19 license issued by the United States coast guard to the applicant that
20 authorizes the holder to carry passengers for hire.

21 (2) The requirements of this section related to licensure by the
22 United States coast guard apply only to applicants intending to carry
23 passengers for hire with a motorized vessel on federally recognized
24 navigable waters. The license issued by the United States coast guard
25 must be valid in the waters where the game fish guide or food fish
26 guide license applicant will be carrying passengers for hire in a
27 motorized vessel.

28 (3) The requirements in this section are in addition to the
29 requirements of RCW 77.65.050.

30 **Sec. 25.** RCW 77.70.010 and 2001 c 253 s 57 are each amended to
31 read as follows:

32 (1) A license renewed under the provisions of this chapter that
33 has been suspended under RCW 77.65.080 shall be subject to the
34 following provisions:

35 (a) A license renewal fee shall be paid as a condition of
36 maintaining a current license; and

1 (b) The department shall waive any other license requirements,
2 unless the department determines that the license holder has had
3 sufficient opportunity to meet these requirements.

4 (2) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall apply
5 only to a license that has been suspended under RCW 77.65.080 for a
6 period of twelve months or less. A license holder shall forfeit a
7 license subject to this chapter and may not recover any license
8 renewal fees previously paid if the license holder does not meet the
9 requirements of RCW 74.20A.320(~~((9))~~) (3) within twelve months of
10 license suspension.

11 **Sec. 26.** RCW 77.70.210 and 2000 c 107 s 70 are each amended to
12 read as follows:

13 (1) A herring spawn on kelp fishery license is required to
14 commercially take herring eggs which have been deposited on
15 vegetation of any type.

16 (2) A herring spawn on kelp fishery license may be issued only to
17 a person who:

18 (a) Holds a herring fishery license issued under RCW 77.65.200
19 and 77.70.120; and

20 (b) Is the highest bidder in an auction conducted under
21 subsection (3) of this section.

22 (3) The department shall sell herring spawn on kelp commercial
23 fishery licenses at auction to the highest bidder. Bidders shall
24 identify their sources of kelp. Kelp harvested from state-owned
25 aquatic lands as defined in RCW (~~((79.90.465))~~) 79.105.060 requires the
26 written consent of the department of natural resources. The
27 department shall give all holders of herring fishery licenses thirty
28 days' notice of the auction.

29 **Sec. 27.** RCW 77.70.280 and 2003 c 174 s 5 are each amended to
30 read as follows:

31 (1) A person shall not commercially fish for coastal crab in
32 Washington state waters without a Dungeness crab—coastal or a
33 Dungeness crab—coastal class B fishery license. Gear used must
34 consist of one buoy attached to each crab pot. Each crab pot must be
35 fished individually.

36 (2) A Dungeness crab—coastal fishery license is transferable.
37 Except as provided in subsections (3) and (8) of this section, such a

1 license shall only be issued to a person who proved active historical
2 participation in the coastal crab fishery by having designated, after
3 December 31, 1993, a vessel or a replacement vessel on the qualifying
4 license that singly or in combination meets the following criteria:

5 (a) Made a minimum of eight coastal crab landings totaling a
6 minimum of five thousand pounds per season in at least two of the
7 four qualifying seasons identified in subsection (5) of this section,
8 as documented by valid Washington state shellfish receiving tickets;
9 and showed historical and continuous participation in the coastal
10 crab fishery by having held one of the following licenses or their
11 equivalents each calendar year beginning 1990 through 1993, and was
12 designated on the qualifying license of the person who held one of
13 the following licenses in 1994:

14 (i) Crab pot—Non-Puget Sound license, issued under RCW
15 77.65.220(1)(b);

16 (ii) Nonsalmon delivery license, issued under RCW 77.65.210;

17 (iii) Salmon troll license, issued under RCW 77.65.160;

18 (iv) Salmon delivery license, issued under RCW 77.65.170;

19 (v) Food fish trawl license, issued under RCW 77.65.200; or

20 (vi) Shrimp trawl license, issued under RCW 77.65.220; or

21 (b) Made a minimum of four Washington landings of coastal crab
22 totaling two thousand pounds during the period from December 1, 1991,
23 to March 20, 1992, and made a minimum of eight crab landings totaling
24 a minimum of five thousand pounds of coastal crab during each of the
25 following periods: December 1, 1991, to September 15, 1992; December
26 1, 1992, to September 15, 1993; and December 1, 1993, to September
27 15, 1994. For landings made after December 31, 1993, the vessel shall
28 have been designated on the qualifying license of the person making
29 the landings; or

30 (c) Made any number of coastal crab landings totaling a minimum
31 of twenty thousand pounds per season in at least two of the four
32 qualifying seasons identified in subsection (5) of this section, as
33 documented by valid Washington state shellfish receiving tickets,
34 showed historical and continuous participation in the coastal crab
35 fishery by having held one of the qualifying licenses each calendar
36 year beginning 1990 through 1993, and the vessel was designated on
37 the qualifying license of the person who held that license in 1994.

38 (3) A Dungeness crab-coastal fishery license shall be issued to a
39 person who had a new vessel under construction between December 1,
40 1988, and September 15, 1992, if the vessel made coastal crab

1 landings totaling a minimum of five thousand pounds by September 15,
2 1993, and the new vessel was designated on the qualifying license of
3 the person who held that license in 1994. All landings shall be
4 documented by valid Washington state shellfish receiving tickets.
5 (~~License applications under this subsection may be subject to review~~
6 ~~by the advisory review board in accordance with RCW 77.70.030.~~) For
7 purposes of this subsection, "under construction" means either:

8 (a)(i) A contract for any part of the work was signed before
9 September 15, 1992; and

10 (ii) The contract for the vessel under construction was not
11 transferred or otherwise alienated from the contract holder between
12 the date of the contract and the issuance of the Dungeness crab-
13 coastal fishery license; and

14 (iii) Construction had not been completed before December 1,
15 1988; or

16 (b)(i) The keel was laid before September 15, 1992; and

17 (ii) Vessel ownership was not transferred or otherwise alienated
18 from the owner between the time the keel was laid and the issuance of
19 the Dungeness crab-coastal fishery license; and

20 (iii) Construction had not been completed before December 1,
21 1988.

22 (4) A Dungeness crab—coastal class B fishery license is not
23 transferable. Such a license shall be issued to persons who do not
24 meet the qualification criteria for a Dungeness crab—coastal fishery
25 license, if the person has designated on a qualifying license after
26 December 31, 1993, a vessel or replacement vessel that, singly or in
27 combination, made a minimum of four landings totaling a minimum of
28 two thousand pounds of coastal crab, documented by valid Washington
29 state shellfish receiving tickets, during at least one of the four
30 qualifying seasons, and if the person has participated continuously
31 in the coastal crab fishery by having held or by having owned a
32 vessel that held one or more of the licenses listed in subsection (2)
33 of this section in each calendar year subsequent to the qualifying
34 season in which qualifying landings were made through 1994. Dungeness
35 crab—coastal class B fishery licenses cease to exist after December
36 31, 1999, and the continuing license provisions of RCW 34.05.422(3)
37 are not applicable.

38 (5) The four qualifying seasons for purposes of this section are:

39 (a) December 1, 1988, through September 15, 1989;

1 (b) December 1, 1989, through September 15, 1990;

2 (c) December 1, 1990, through September 15, 1991; and

3 (d) December 1, 1991, through September 15, 1992.

4 (6) For purposes of this section and RCW 77.70.340, "coastal
5 crab" means Dungeness crab (*cancer magister*) taken in all Washington
6 territorial and offshore waters south of the United States-Canada
7 boundary and west of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line (a line from the
8 western end of Cape Flattery to Tatoosh Island lighthouse, then to
9 the buoy adjacent to Duntz Rock, then in a straight line to Bonilla
10 Point of Vancouver island), Grays Harbor, Willapa Bay, and the
11 Columbia river.

12 (7) For purposes of this section, "replacement vessel" means a
13 vessel used in the coastal crab fishery in 1994, and that replaces a
14 vessel used in the coastal crab fishery during any period from 1988
15 through 1993, and which vessel's licensing and catch history,
16 together with the licensing and catch history of the vessel it
17 replaces, qualifies a single applicant for a Dungeness crab—coastal
18 or Dungeness crab—coastal class B fishery license. A Dungeness crab—
19 coastal or Dungeness crab—coastal class B fishery license may only be
20 issued to a person who designated a vessel in the 1994 coastal crab
21 fishery and who designated the same vessel in 1995.

22 (8) A Dungeness crab—coastal fishery license may not be issued to
23 a person who participates in the federal fleet reduction program
24 created in RCW 77.70.460 within ten years of that person's
25 participation in the federal program, if reciprocal restrictions are
26 imposed by the states of Oregon and California on persons
27 participating in the federal fleet reduction program.

28 **Sec. 28.** RCW 77.70.360 and 2000 c 107 s 81 are each amended to
29 read as follows:

30 (~~Except as provided under RCW 77.70.380,~~) The director shall
31 issue no new Dungeness crab-coastal fishery licenses after December
32 31, 1995. A person may renew an existing license only if the person
33 held the license sought to be renewed during the previous year or
34 acquired the license by transfer from someone who held it during the
35 previous year, and if the person has not subsequently transferred the
36 license to another person. Where the person failed to obtain the
37 license during the previous year because of a license suspension, the
38 person may qualify for a license by establishing that the person held

1 such a license during the last year in which the license was not
2 suspended.

3 **Sec. 29.** RCW 77.70.390 and 2000 c 107 s 83 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 The director may reduce the landing requirements established
6 under RCW 77.70.280 (~~upon the recommendation of an advisory review~~
7 ~~board established under RCW 77.70.030~~), but the director may not
8 entirely waive the landing requirement. (~~The advisory review board~~
9 ~~may recommend a reduction of the landing requirement in individual~~
10 ~~eases if in the advisory review board's judgment, extenuating~~
11 ~~circumstances prevented achievement of the landing requirement.~~) The
12 director shall adopt rules (~~governing the operation of the advisory~~
13 ~~review board and~~) defining "extenuating circumstances." Extenuating
14 circumstances may include situations in which a person had a vessel
15 under construction such that qualifying landings could not be made.
16 In defining extenuating circumstances, special consideration shall be
17 given to individuals who can provide evidence of lack of access to
18 capital based on past discrimination due to race, creed, color, sex,
19 national origin, or disability.

20 **Sec. 30.** RCW 77.85.020 and 2009 c 345 s 4 are each amended to
21 read as follows:

22 (1) (~~Beginning December 2010,~~) (a) The recreation and
23 conservation office shall produce a biennial report on the statewide
24 status of salmon recovery and watershed health, summarize projects
25 and programs funded by the salmon recovery funding board, and
26 summarize progress as measured by high-level indicators and state
27 agency compliance with applicable protocols established by the forum
28 for monitoring salmon recovery and watershed health. The report must
29 be a consolidation of (~~the current~~) all similar reporting
30 activities, including the salmon recovery funding board and the
31 (~~forum on monitoring salmon recovery and watershed health, on the~~
32 ~~status of salmon recovery and watershed health in Washington state,~~
33 ~~in accordance with RCW 77.85.250(8)~~) department under RCW 77.04.160.

34 (b) The report required under this section shall also include a
35 high-level status report on watershed planning efforts under chapter
36 90.82 RCW as summarized by the department of ecology and on salmon
37 recovery and watershed planning as summarized by the Puget Sound
38 partnership. The report's introduction must include a list of high-

1 level questions related to the status of watershed health and salmon
2 recovery to help decision makers and the public respond to salmon
3 recovery and watershed health management needs.

4 (2) The department, the department of ecology, the department of
5 natural resources, and the state conservation commission shall
6 provide to the recreation and conservation office information
7 requested by the office necessary to prepare the consolidated report
8 on salmon recovery and watershed health.

9 **Sec. 31.** RCW 77.85.040 and 2007 c 444 s 4 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (1)(a) The governor may request the Washington academy of
12 sciences, when organized pursuant to chapter 305, Laws of 2005, to
13 impanel an independent science panel on salmon recovery to respond to
14 requests for review pursuant to subsection (2) of this section. The
15 panel shall reflect expertise in habitat requirements of salmon,
16 protection and restoration of salmon populations, artificial
17 propagation of salmon, hydrology, or geomorphology.

18 (b) Based upon available funding, the governor's salmon recovery
19 office may contract for services of the independent science panel for
20 compensation under chapter (~~39.29~~) 39.26 RCW.

21 (2) The independent science panel shall be governed by guidelines
22 and practices governing the activities of the Washington academy of
23 sciences. The purpose of the independent science panel is to help
24 ensure that sound science is used in salmon recovery efforts. The
25 governor's salmon recovery office may, during the time it is
26 constituted, request that the panel review, investigate, and provide
27 its findings on scientific questions relating to the state's salmon
28 recovery efforts. The science panel does not have the authority to
29 review individual projects or habitat project lists developed under
30 RCW 77.85.050 or 77.85.060 or to make policy decisions. The panel
31 shall submit its findings and recommendations under this subsection
32 to the legislature and the governor.

33 **Sec. 32.** RCW 77.85.130 and 2011 c 20 s 16 are each amended to
34 read as follows:

35 (1) The salmon recovery funding board shall develop procedures
36 and criteria for allocation of funds for salmon habitat projects and
37 salmon recovery activities on a statewide basis to address the
38 highest priorities for salmon habitat protection and restoration. To

1 the extent practicable the board shall adopt an annual allocation of
2 funding. The allocation should address both protection and
3 restoration of habitat, and should recognize the varying needs in
4 each area of the state on an equitable basis. The board has the
5 discretion to partially fund, or to fund in phases, salmon habitat
6 projects. The board may annually establish a maximum amount of
7 funding available for any individual project, subject to available
8 funding. No projects required solely as a mitigation or a condition
9 of permitting are eligible for funding.

10 (2)(a) In evaluating, ranking, and awarding funds for projects
11 and activities the board shall give preference to projects that:

12 (i) Are based upon the limiting factors analysis identified under
13 RCW 77.85.060;

14 (ii) Provide a greater benefit to salmon recovery based upon the
15 stock status information contained in the department (~~of fish and~~
16 ~~wildlife~~) salmonid stock inventory (~~(SASSI)~~) (SaSI), the salmon
17 and steelhead habitat inventory and assessment project (SSHIAP), and
18 any comparable science-based assessment when available;

19 (iii) Will benefit listed species and other fish species;

20 (iv) Will preserve high quality salmonid habitat;

21 (v) Are included in a regional or watershed-based salmon recovery
22 plan that accords the project, action, or area a high priority for
23 funding;

24 (vi) Are, except as provided in RCW 77.85.240, sponsored by an
25 entity that is a Puget Sound partner, as defined in RCW 90.71.010;
26 and

27 (vii) Are projects referenced in the action agenda developed by
28 the Puget Sound partnership under RCW 90.71.310.

29 (b) In evaluating, ranking, and awarding funds for projects and
30 activities the board shall also give consideration to projects that:

31 (i) Are the most cost-effective;

32 (ii) Have the greatest matched or in-kind funding;

33 (iii) Will be implemented by a sponsor with a successful record
34 of project implementation;

35 (iv) Involve members of the Washington conservation corps
36 established in chapter 43.220 RCW or the veterans conservation corps
37 established in RCW 43.60A.150; and

38 (v) Are part of a regionwide list developed by lead entities.

39 (3) The board may reject, but not add, projects from a habitat
40 project list submitted by a lead entity for funding.

1 (4)(a) The board shall establish criteria for determining when
2 block grants may be made to a lead entity. The board may provide
3 block grants to the lead entity to implement habitat project lists
4 developed under RCW 77.85.050, subject to available funding. The
5 board shall determine an equitable minimum amount of project funds
6 for each recovery region, and shall distribute the remainder of funds
7 on a competitive basis. The board may also provide block grants to
8 the lead entity or regional recovery organization to assist in
9 carrying out functions described under this chapter. Block grants
10 must be expended consistent with the priorities established for the
11 board in subsection (2) of this section.

12 (b) Lead entities or regional recovery organizations receiving
13 block grants under this subsection shall, if requested by the board,
14 provide an annual report to the board summarizing how funds were
15 expended for activities consistent with this chapter, including the
16 types of projects funded, project outcomes, monitoring results, and
17 administrative costs.

18 (5) The board may waive or modify portions of the allocation
19 procedures and standards adopted under this section in the award of
20 grants or loans to conform to legislative appropriations directing an
21 alternative award procedure or when the funds to be awarded are from
22 federal or other sources requiring other allocation procedures or
23 standards as a condition of the board's receipt of the funds. The
24 board shall develop an integrated process to manage the allocation of
25 funding from federal and state sources to minimize delays in the
26 award of funding while recognizing the differences in state and
27 legislative appropriation timing.

28 (6) The board may award a grant or loan for a salmon recovery
29 project on private or public land when the landowner has a legal
30 obligation under local, state, or federal law to perform the project,
31 when expedited action provides a clear benefit to salmon recovery,
32 and there will be harm to salmon recovery if the project is delayed.
33 For purposes of this subsection, a legal obligation does not include
34 a project required solely as a mitigation or a condition of
35 permitting.

36 (7) Property acquired or improved by a project sponsor may be
37 conveyed to a federal agency if: (a) The agency agrees to comply with
38 all terms of the grant or loan to which the project sponsor was
39 obligated; or (b) the board approves: (i) Changes in the terms of the
40 grant or loan, and the revision or removal of binding deed of right

1 instruments; and (ii) a memorandum of understanding or similar
2 document ensuring that the facility or property will retain, to the
3 extent feasible, adequate habitat protections; and (c) the
4 appropriate legislative authority of the county or city with
5 jurisdiction over the project area approves the transfer and provides
6 notification to the board.

7 (8) Any project sponsor receiving funding from the salmon
8 recovery funding board that is not subject to disclosure under
9 chapter 42.56 RCW must, as a mandatory contractual prerequisite to
10 receiving the funding, agree to disclose any information in regards
11 to the expenditure of that funding as if the project sponsor was
12 subject to the requirements of chapter 42.56 RCW.

13 (9) (~~After January 1, 2010,~~) Any project designed to address
14 the restoration of Puget Sound may be funded under this chapter only
15 if the project is not in conflict with the action agenda developed by
16 the Puget Sound partnership under RCW 90.71.310.

17 **Sec. 33.** RCW 77.85.140 and 2009 c 518 s 9 and 2009 c 345 s 8 are
18 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

19 (1) Habitat project lists shall be submitted to the salmon
20 recovery funding board for funding at least once a year on a schedule
21 established by the board. (~~The board shall provide the legislature
22 with a list of the proposed projects and a list of the projects
23 funded by October 1st of each year for informational purposes.~~)
24 Project sponsors who complete salmon habitat projects approved for
25 funding from habitat project lists and have met grant application
26 deadlines will be paid by the salmon recovery funding board within
27 thirty days of project completion.

28 (2) The recreation and conservation office shall track all funds
29 allocated for salmon habitat projects and salmon recovery activities
30 on behalf of the board, including both funds allocated by the board
31 and funds allocated by other state or federal agencies for salmon
32 recovery or water quality improvement.

33 **Sec. 34.** RCW 77.85.160 and 1999 sp.s. c 13 s 13 are each amended
34 to read as follows:

35 State salmon monitoring data provided by lead entities, regional
36 fisheries enhancement groups, and others shall be included in the
37 database of (~~SASSI [salmon and steelhead stock inventory]~~) SaSI
38 (salmonid stock inventory) and SSHIAP (~~(+)~~)(salmon and steelhead

1 habitat inventory assessment project(~~(1)~~). Information pertaining to
2 habitat preservation projects funded through the Washington wildlife
3 and recreation program, the conservation reserve enhancement program,
4 and other conservancy programs related to salmon habitat shall be
5 included in the SSHIAP database.

6 **Sec. 35.** RCW 77.85.220 and 2003 c 391 s 4 are each amended to
7 read as follows:

8 ~~((1))~~ If a limiting factors analysis has been conducted under
9 this chapter for a specific geographic area and that analysis shows
10 insufficient intertidal salmon habitat, the department of fish and
11 wildlife and the county legislative authorities of the affected
12 counties may jointly initiate a salmon intertidal habitat restoration
13 planning process to develop a plan that addresses the intertidal
14 habitat goals contained in the limiting factors analysis. The fish
15 and wildlife commission and the county legislative authorities of the
16 geographic area shall ~~((jointly appoint a task force composed of the
17 following members:~~

18 ~~(a) One representative of the fish and wildlife commission,
19 appointed by the chair of the commission;~~

20 ~~(b) Two representatives of the agricultural industry familiar
21 with agricultural issues in the geographic area, one appointed by an
22 organization active in the geographic area and one appointed by a
23 statewide organization representing the industry;~~

24 ~~(c) Two representatives of environmental interest organizations
25 with familiarity and expertise of salmon habitat, one appointed by an
26 organization in the geographic area and one appointed by a statewide
27 organization representing environmental interests;~~

28 ~~(d) One representative of a diking and drainage district,
29 appointed by the individual districts in the geographic area or by an
30 association of diking and drainage districts;~~

31 ~~(e) One representative of the lead entity for salmon recovery in
32 the geographic area, appointed by the lead entity;~~

33 ~~(f) One representative of each county in the geographic area,
34 appointed by the respective county legislative authorities; and~~

35 ~~(g) One representative from the office of the governor.~~

36 ~~(2) Representatives of the United States environmental protection
37 agency, the United States natural resources conservation service,
38 federal fishery agencies, as appointed by their regional director,~~

1 ~~and tribes with interests in the geographic area shall be invited and~~
2 ~~encouraged to participate as members of the task force.~~

3 ~~(3) The task force shall elect a chair and adopt rules for~~
4 ~~conducting the business of the task force. Staff support for the task~~
5 ~~force shall be provided by the Washington state conservation~~
6 ~~commission.~~

7 ~~(4) The task force shall:~~

8 ~~(a)) work together with interested stakeholders to:~~

9 ~~(1) Review and analyze the limiting factors analysis for the~~
10 ~~geographic area;~~

11 ~~((b)) (2) Initiate and oversee intertidal salmon habitat~~
12 ~~studies for enhancement of the intertidal area as provided in RCW~~
13 ~~77.85.230;~~

14 ~~((c)) (3) Review and analyze the completed assessments listed~~
15 ~~in RCW 77.85.230;~~

16 ~~((d)) (4) Develop and draft an overall plan that addresses~~
17 ~~identified intertidal salmon habitat goals that has public support;~~
18 ~~and~~

19 ~~((e)) (5) Identify appropriate demonstration projects and early~~
20 ~~implementation projects that are of high priority and should commence~~
21 ~~immediately within the geographic area.~~

22 ~~((5) The task force may request briefings as needed on legal~~
23 ~~issues that may need to be considered when developing or implementing~~
24 ~~various plan options.~~

25 ~~(6) Members of the task force shall be reimbursed by the~~
26 ~~conservation commission for travel expenses as provided in RCW~~
27 ~~43.03.050 and 43.03.060.~~

28 ~~(7) The task force shall provide annual reports that provide an~~
29 ~~update on its activities to the fish and wildlife commission, to the~~
30 ~~involved county legislative authorities, and to the lead entity~~
31 ~~formed under this chapter.))~~

32 **Sec. 36.** RCW 77.85.230 and 2009 c 333 s 24 are each amended to
33 read as follows:

34 (1) ~~((In consultation with the appropriate task force formed~~
35 ~~under RCW 77.85.220,))~~ The conservation commission may contract with
36 universities, private consultants, nonprofit groups, or other
37 entities to assist it in developing a plan incorporating the
38 following elements:

1 (a) An inventory of existing tide gates located on streams in the
2 county. The inventory shall include location, age, type, and
3 maintenance history of the tide gates and other factors as determined
4 by the appropriate task force in consultation with the county and
5 diking and drainage districts;

6 (b) An assessment of the role of tide gates located on streams in
7 the county; the role of intertidal fish habitat for various life
8 stages of salmon; the quantity and characterization of intertidal
9 fish habitat currently accessible to fish; the quantity and
10 characterization of the present intertidal fish habitat created at
11 the time the dikes and outlets were constructed; the quantity of
12 potential intertidal fish habitat on public lands and alternatives to
13 enhance this habitat; the effects of saltwater intrusion on
14 agricultural land, including the effects of backfeeding of saltwater
15 through the underground drainage system; the role of tide gates in
16 drainage systems, including relieving excess water from saturated
17 soil and providing reservoir functions between tides; the effect of
18 saturated soils on production of crops; the characteristics of
19 properly functioning intertidal fish habitat; a map of agricultural
20 lands designated by the county as having long-term commercial
21 significance and the effect of that designation; and the economic
22 impacts to existing land uses for various alternatives for tide gate
23 alteration; and

24 (c) A long-term plan for intertidal salmon habitat enhancement to
25 meet the goals of salmon recovery and protection of agricultural
26 lands. The proposal shall consider all other means to achieve salmon
27 recovery without converting farmland. The proposal shall include
28 methods to increase fish passage and otherwise enhance intertidal
29 habitat on public lands pursuant to subsection (2) of this section,
30 voluntary methods to increase fish passage on private lands, a
31 priority list of intertidal salmon enhancement projects, and
32 recommendations for funding of high priority projects. The task force
33 also may propose pilot projects that will be designed to test and
34 measure the success of various proposed strategies.

35 (2) In conjunction with other public landowners (~~and the~~
36 ~~appropriate task force formed under RCW 77.85.220~~), the department
37 shall develop an initial salmon intertidal habitat enhancement plan
38 for public lands in the county. The initial plan shall include a list
39 of public properties in the intertidal zone that could be enhanced
40 for salmon, a description of how those properties could be altered to

1 support salmon, a description of costs and sources of funds to
2 enhance the property, and a strategy and schedule for prioritizing
3 the enhancement of public lands for intertidal salmon habitat. (~~This~~
4 ~~initial plan shall be submitted to the appropriate task force at~~
5 ~~least six months before the deadline established in subsection (3) of~~
6 ~~this section.~~)

7 (3) (~~The final intertidal salmon enhancement plan shall be~~
8 ~~completed within two years from the date the task force is formed~~
9 ~~under RCW 77.85.220 and funding has been secured.~~) A final plan
10 shall be submitted (~~by the appropriate task force~~) to the lead
11 entity for the geographic area established under this chapter.

12 **Sec. 37.** RCW 77.95.020 and 1995 1st sp.s. c 2 s 34 are each
13 amended to read as follows:

14 (1) The commission shall (~~develop~~) maintain long-term regional
15 policy statements regarding the salmon fishery resources (~~before~~
16 ~~December 1, 1985~~). The commission shall consider the following in
17 formulating and updating regional policy statements:

18 (a) Existing resource needs;

19 (b) Potential for creation of new resources;

20 (c) Successful existing programs, both within and outside the
21 state;

22 (d) Balanced utilization of natural and hatchery production;

23 (e) Desires of the fishing interest;

24 (f) Need for additional data or research;

25 (g) Federal court orders; and

26 (h) Salmon advisory council recommendations.

27 (2) The commission shall review and update each policy statement
28 (~~at least once each year~~) as needed.

29 **Sec. 38.** RCW 77.95.090 and 2009 c 340 s 4 are each amended to
30 read as follows:

31 (1) The dedicated regional fisheries enhancement group account is
32 created in the custody of the state treasurer. Only the commission or
33 the commission's designee may authorize expenditures from the
34 account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter
35 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for expenditures.

36 (2) A portion of each recreational fishing license fee shall be
37 used as provided in RCW 77.32.440. A surcharge of one hundred dollars
38 shall be collected on each commercial salmon fishery license, each

1 salmon delivery license, and each salmon charter license sold in the
2 state. All receipts shall be placed in the regional fisheries
3 enhancement group account and shall be used exclusively for regional
4 fisheries enhancement group projects (~~for the purposes of RCW~~
5 ~~77.95.110~~). Except as provided in RCW 77.95.320, funds from the
6 regional fisheries enhancement group account shall not serve as
7 replacement funding for department operated salmon projects that
8 exist on January 1, 1991.

9 (3) All revenue from the department's sale of salmon carcasses
10 and eggs that return to group facilities shall be deposited in the
11 regional fisheries enhancement group account for use by the regional
12 fisheries enhancement group that produced the surplus. The commission
13 shall adopt rules to implement this section pursuant to chapter 34.05
14 RCW.

15 **Sec. 39.** RCW 77.95.190 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 7 s 84 are each
16 amended to read as follows:

17 The department (~~shall~~) may field test coho and chinook salmon
18 remote site incubators. The purpose of field testing efforts shall be
19 to gather conclusive scientific data on the effectiveness of coho and
20 chinook remote site incubators.

21 **Sec. 40.** RCW 77.95.200 and 2009 c 333 s 29 are each amended to
22 read as follows:

23 (1) The department (~~shall~~) may develop and implement a program
24 utilizing remote site incubators in Washington (~~state~~). If used,
25 the program (~~shall~~) must identify sites in tributaries that are
26 suitable for reestablishing self-sustaining, locally adapted
27 populations of coho, chum, or chinook salmon. The initial selection
28 of sites shall be updated annually.

29 (2) The department may only approve a remote site incubator
30 project if the department deems it is consistent with the
31 conservation of wild salmon and trout. The department shall only
32 utilize appropriate salmonid eggs in remote site incubators, and may
33 acquire eggs by gift or purchase.

34 (3) The department shall depend chiefly upon volunteer efforts to
35 implement (~~the~~) a remote site incubator program through volunteer
36 cooperative projects and the regional fisheries enhancement groups.
37 The department may prioritize remote site incubator projects within
38 regional enhancement areas.

1 (4) The department may purchase remote site incubators and may
2 use agency employees to construct remote site incubators.

3 (5) The department (~~shall~~) may investigate the use of the
4 remote site incubator technology for the production of warm water
5 fish.

6 (6) (~~Annual~~) Reports on the progress of the program shall be
7 provided to the fish and wildlife commission as requested.

8 **Sec. 41.** RCW 77.95.230 and 1989 c 336 s 2 are each amended to
9 read as follows:

10 The director shall determine the cost of operating all state-
11 funded salmon production facilities at full capacity and shall
12 provide this information with the department's biennial budget
13 request if so requested by the office of financial management.

14 **Sec. 42.** RCW 77.95.310 and 2009 c 333 s 30 are each amended to
15 read as follows:

16 (1) If requested by the commission, the department shall maintain
17 a report identifying total salmon and steelhead harvest. This report
18 (~~shall~~) may include the final commercial harvests and recreational
19 harvests. At a minimum, the report (~~shall~~) should clearly identify:

20 (a) The total treaty tribal and nontribal harvests by species and
21 by management unit;

22 (b) Where and why the nontribal harvest does not meet the full
23 allocation allowed under *United States v. Washington*, 384 F. Supp.
24 312 (1974) (Boldt I) including a summary of the key policies within
25 the management plan that result in a less than full nontribal
26 allocation; and

27 (c) The location and quantity of salmon and steelhead harvested
28 under the wastage provisions of *United States v. Washington*, 384 F.
29 Supp. 312 (1974).

30 (2) Upon request, the department shall present the report
31 required to be maintained under this section to the appropriate
32 committees of the legislature.

33 **Sec. 43.** RCW 77.100.050 and 2001 c 337 s 3 are each amended to
34 read as follows:

35 (1) The department shall, when deemed needed by the department:

36 (a) Encourage and support the establishment of cooperative
37 agreements for the development and operation of cooperative food

1 fish, shellfish, game fish, game bird, game animal, and nongame
2 wildlife projects, and projects which provide an opportunity for
3 volunteer groups to become involved in resource and habitat-oriented
4 activities. All cooperative projects shall be fairly considered in
5 the approval of cooperative agreements;

6 (b) Identify regions and species or activities that would be
7 particularly suitable for cooperative projects providing benefits
8 compatible with department goals;

9 (c) Determine the availability of rearing space at operating
10 facilities or of net pens, egg boxes, portable rearing containers,
11 incubators, and any other rearing facilities for use in cooperative
12 projects, and allocate them to volunteer groups as fairly as
13 possible;

14 (d) Make viable eggs available for replenishing fish runs, and
15 salmon carcasses for nutrient enhancement of streams. If a regional
16 fisheries enhancement group, lead entity, volunteer cooperative
17 group, federally approved tribe in Washington, or a governmental
18 hatchery in Washington, Oregon, or Idaho requests the department for
19 viable eggs, the department must include the request within the brood
20 stock document prepared for review by the regional offices. The eggs
21 shall be distributed in accordance with the priority established in
22 RCW 77.95.210 if they are available. A request for viable eggs may
23 only be denied if the eggs would not be useful for propagation or
24 salmon recovery purposes, as determined under RCW 77.95.210;

25 (e) Exempt volunteer groups from payment of fees to the
26 department for activities related to the project;

27 (f) Publicize the cooperative program(~~(+)~~).

28 ~~((g))~~ (2) The department may not substitute a new cooperative
29 project for any part of the department's program unless mutually
30 agreeable to the department and volunteer group(~~(+~~

31 ~~(h))~~ and the department may not approve agreements that are
32 incompatible with legally existing land, water, or property rights.

33 ~~((+2))~~ (3) The department may, when requested, provide to
34 volunteer groups its available professional expertise and assist the
35 volunteer group to evaluate its project. The department must, if
36 requested or deemed helpful by the department, conduct annual
37 workshops in each administrative region of the department that has
38 fish stocks listed as threatened or endangered under the federal
39 endangered species act, 16 U.S.C. Sec. 1531 et seq., in order to
40 assist volunteer groups with egg rearing, share information on

1 successful salmon recovery projects accomplished by volunteers within
2 the state, and provide basic training on monitoring efforts that can
3 be accomplished by volunteers in order to help determine if their
4 efforts are successful.

5 **Sec. 44.** RCW 77.100.060 and 2001 c 337 s 4 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 The commission shall establish by rule:

8 (1) The procedure for entering a cooperative agreement and the
9 application forms for a permit to release fish or wildlife (~~required~~
10 ~~by RCW 77.12.457~~). The procedure shall indicate the information
11 required from the volunteer group as well as the process of review by
12 the department. The process of review shall include the means to
13 coordinate with other agencies and Indian tribes when appropriate and
14 to coordinate the review of any necessary hydraulic permit approval
15 applications.

16 (2) The procedure for providing within forty-five days of receipt
17 of a proposal a written response to the volunteer group indicating
18 the date by which an acceptance or rejection of the proposal can be
19 expected, the reason why the date was selected, and a written summary
20 of the process of review. The response should also include any
21 suggested modifications to the proposal which would increase its
22 likelihood of approval and the date by which such modified proposal
23 could be expected to be accepted. If the proposal is rejected, the
24 department must provide in writing the reasons for rejection. The
25 volunteer group may request the director or the director's designee
26 to review information provided in the response.

27 (3) The priority of the uses to which eggs, seed, juveniles, or
28 brood stock are put. Use by cooperative projects shall be second in
29 priority only to the needs of programs of the department or of other
30 public agencies within the territorial boundaries of the state. Sales
31 of eggs, seed, juveniles, or brood stock have a lower priority than
32 use for cooperative projects. The rules must identify and implement
33 appropriate protocols for brood stock handling, including the
34 outplanting of adult fish, spawning, incubation, rearing, and release
35 and establish a prioritized schedule for implementation of chapter
36 337, Laws of 2001, and shall include directives for allowing more
37 hatchery salmon to spawn naturally in areas where progeny of hatchery
38 fish have spawned, including the outplanting of adult fish, in order

1 to increase the number of viable salmon eggs and restore healthy
2 numbers of fish within the state.

3 (4) The procedure for the director to notify a volunteer group
4 that the agreement for the project is being revoked for cause and the
5 procedure for revocation. Revocation shall be documented in writing
6 to the volunteer group. Cause for revocation may include: (a) The
7 unavailability of adequate biological or financial resources; (b) the
8 development of unacceptable biological or resource management
9 conflicts; or (c) a violation of agreement provisions. Notice of
10 cause to revoke for a violation of agreement provisions may specify a
11 reasonable period of time within which the volunteer group must
12 comply with any violated provisions of the agreement.

13 (5) An appropriate method of distributing among volunteer groups
14 fish, bird, or animal food or other supplies available for the
15 program.

16 **Sec. 45.** RCW 77.115.010 and 2000 c 107 s 122 are each amended to
17 read as follows:

18 (1) The director of agriculture and the director shall jointly
19 develop a program of disease inspection and control for aquatic
20 farmers as defined in RCW 15.85.020. The program shall be
21 administered by the department under rules established under this
22 section. The purpose of the program is to protect the aquaculture
23 industry and wildstock fisheries from a loss of productivity due to
24 aquatic diseases or maladies. As used in this section "diseases"
25 means, in addition to its ordinary meaning, infestations of parasites
26 or pests.

27 (2) The disease program may include, but is not limited to, the
28 following elements:

- 29 (a) Disease diagnosis;
- 30 (b) Import and transfer requirements;
- 31 (c) Provision for certification of stocks;
- 32 (d) Classification of diseases by severity;
- 33 (e) Provision for treatment of selected high-risk diseases;
- 34 (f) Provision for containment and eradication of high-risk
35 diseases;
- 36 (g) Provision for destruction of diseased cultured aquatic
37 products;
- 38 (h) Provision for quarantine of diseased cultured aquatic
39 products;

- 1 (i) Provision for coordination with state and federal agencies;
2 (j) Provision for development of preventative or control
3 measures;
4 (k) Provision for cooperative consultation service to aquatic
5 farmers; and
6 (l) Provision for disease history records.

7 ~~((+2))~~ (3) The commission shall adopt rules implementing this
8 section. However, such rules shall have the prior approval of the
9 director of agriculture and shall provide therein that the director
10 of agriculture has provided ~~((such))~~ approval. The director of
11 agriculture or the director's designee shall attend the rule-making
12 hearings conducted under chapter 34.05 RCW and shall assist in
13 conducting those hearings. The authorities granted the department by
14 these rules and by RCW 77.12.047(1)(g), 77.60.060, 77.60.080,
15 77.65.210, ~~((77.115.020,))~~ 77.115.030, and 77.115.040 constitute the
16 only authorities of the department to regulate private sector
17 cultured aquatic products and aquatic farmers as defined in RCW
18 15.85.020. Except as provided in subsection ~~((+3))~~ (4) of this
19 section, no action may be taken against any person to enforce these
20 rules unless the department has first provided the person an
21 opportunity for a hearing. In such a case, if the hearing is
22 requested, no enforcement action may be taken before the conclusion
23 of that hearing.

24 ~~((+3))~~ (4) The rules adopted under this section shall specify
25 the emergency enforcement actions that may be taken by the
26 department, and the circumstances under which they may be taken,
27 without first providing the affected party with an opportunity for a
28 hearing. Neither the provisions of this subsection nor the provisions
29 of subsection ~~((+2))~~ (3) of this section shall preclude the
30 department from requesting the initiation of criminal proceedings for
31 violations of the disease inspection and control rules.

32 ~~((+4))~~ (5) A person shall not violate the rules adopted under
33 subsection ~~((+2) or)~~ (3) or (4) of this section or violate RCW
34 77.115.040.

35 ~~((+5))~~ (6) In administering the program established under this
36 section, the department shall use the services of a pathologist
37 licensed to practice veterinary medicine.

38 ~~((+6))~~ (7) The director in administering the program shall not
39 place constraints on or take enforcement actions in respect to the

1 aquaculture industry that are more rigorous than those placed on the
2 department or other fish-rearing entities.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 46.** A new section is added to chapter 77.135
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 The aquatic invasive species management account is created in the
6 state treasury. All receipts directed to the account from RCW
7 88.02.640, as well as legislative appropriations, gifts, donations,
8 fees, and penalties received by the department for aquatic invasive
9 species management, must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the
10 account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the
11 account may only be used to implement aquatic invasive species
12 related provisions under this title and RCW 43.43.400.

13 **Sec. 47.** RCW 88.02.640 and 2013 c 291 s 1 are each amended to
14 read as follows:

15 (1) In addition to any other fees and taxes required by law, the
16 department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by
17 the director shall charge the following vessel fees and surcharge:

18 FEE	AMOUNT	AUTHORITY	DISTRIBUTION
19 (a) Dealer temporary permit	\$5.00	RCW 88.02.800(2)	General fund
20 (b) Derelict vessel and 21 invasive species 22 removal	Subsection (3) of this section	Subsection (3) of this section	Subsection (3) of this section
23 (c) Derelict vessel removal 24 surcharge	\$1.00	Subsection (4) of this section	Subsection (4) of this section
25 (d) Duplicate certificate of 26 title	\$1.25	RCW 88.02.530(1)(c)	General fund
27 (e) Duplicate registration	\$1.25	RCW 88.02.590(1)(c)	General fund
28 (f) Filing	RCW 46.17.005	RCW 88.02.560(2)	RCW 46.68.400
29 (g) License plate technology	RCW 46.17.015	RCW 88.02.560(2)	RCW 46.68.370
30 (h) License service	RCW 46.17.025	RCW 88.02.560(2)	RCW 46.68.220
31 (i) Nonresident vessel 32 permit	\$25.00	RCW 88.02.620(3)	Subsection (5) of this section
33 (j) Quick title service 34	\$50.00	RCW 88.02.540(3)	Subsection (7) of this section

1	(k) Registration	\$10.50	RCW 88.02.560(2)	RCW 88.02.650
2	(l) Replacement decal	\$1.25	RCW 88.02.595(1)(c)	General fund
3	(m) Title application	\$5.00	RCW 88.02.515	General fund
4	(n) Transfer	\$1.00	RCW 88.02.560(7)	General fund
5	(o) Vessel visitor permit	\$30.00	RCW 88.02.610(3)	Subsection (6) of this
6				section

7 (2) The five dollar dealer temporary permit fee required in
8 subsection (1) of this section must be credited to the payment of
9 registration fees at the time application for registration is made.

10 (3) The derelict vessel and invasive species removal fee required
11 in subsection (1) of this section is five dollars and must be
12 distributed as follows:

13 (a) ~~((One))~~ Two dollars ~~((and fifty cents))~~ must be deposited in
14 the aquatic invasive species ~~((prevention))~~ management account
15 created in ~~((RCW 77.12.879))~~ section 46 of this act;

16 (b) One dollar must be deposited into the aquatic algae control
17 account created in RCW 43.21A.667; and

18 ~~((Fifty cents must be deposited into the aquatic invasive
19 species enforcement account created in RCW 43.43.400; and~~

20 ~~((d)))~~ Two dollars must be deposited in the derelict vessel
21 removal account created in RCW 79.100.100.

22 (4) In addition to other fees required in this section, an annual
23 derelict vessel removal surcharge of one dollar must be charged with
24 each vessel registration. The surcharge is to address the significant
25 backlog of derelict vessels accumulated in Washington waters that
26 pose a threat to the health and safety of the people and to the
27 environment and must be deposited into the derelict vessel removal
28 account created in RCW 79.100.100.

29 (5) The twenty-five dollar nonresident vessel permit fee must be
30 paid by the vessel owner to the department for the cost of providing
31 the identification document by the department. Any moneys remaining
32 from the fee after the payment of costs must be allocated to counties
33 by the state treasurer for approved boating safety programs under RCW
34 88.02.650.

35 (6) The thirty dollar vessel visitor permit fee must be
36 distributed as follows:

37 (a) Five dollars must be deposited in the derelict vessel removal
38 account created in RCW 79.100.100;

1 (b) The department may keep an amount to cover costs for
2 providing the vessel visitor permit;

3 (c) Any moneys remaining must be allocated to counties by the
4 state treasurer for approved boating safety programs under RCW
5 88.02.650; and

6 (d) Any fees required for licensing agents under RCW 46.17.005
7 are in addition to any other fee or tax due for the titling and
8 registration of vessels.

9 (7)(a) The fifty dollar quick title service fee must be
10 distributed as follows:

11 (i) If the fee is paid to the director, the fee must be deposited
12 to the general fund.

13 (ii) If the fee is paid to the participating county auditor or
14 other agent or subagent appointed by the director, twenty-five
15 dollars must be deposited to the general fund. The remainder must be
16 retained by the county treasurer in the same manner as other fees
17 collected by the county auditor.

18 (b) For the purposes of this subsection, "quick title" has the
19 same meaning as in RCW 88.02.540.

20 **Sec. 48.** RCW 43.43.400 and 2014 c 202 s 306 are each amended to
21 read as follows:

22 ~~(1) ((The aquatic invasive species enforcement account is created
23 in the state treasury. Moneys directed to the account from RCW
24 88.02.640 must be deposited in the account. Expenditures from the
25 account may only be used as provided in this section. Moneys in the
26 account may be spent only after appropriation.~~

27 ~~(2) Expenditures from the account))~~ Funds in the aquatic invasive
28 species management account created in section 46 of this act may be
29 used by the Washington state patrol ~~((may only be used))~~ for aquatic
30 invasive species inspection training and to inspect for the presence
31 of aquatic invasive species on aquatic conveyances that are required
32 to stop at a Washington state patrol port of entry weigh station.

33 ~~((3) Expenditures from the account by the department of fish and
34 wildlife may only be used to develop and implement an aquatic
35 invasive species enforcement program including enforcement of chapter
36 77.135 RCW, enforcement of aquatic invasive species provisions in
37 chapter 77.15 RCW, and training Washington state patrol employees
38 working at port of entry weigh stations on how to inspect aquatic
39 conveyances for the presence of aquatic invasive species.~~

1 ~~(4))~~ (2) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the
2 definitions in both RCW 77.08.010 and 77.135.010 apply throughout
3 this section.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 49.** (1) The state treasurer shall, by June
5 30, 2015, transfer all moneys in the aquatic invasive species
6 enforcement account created in RCW 43.43.400 and the aquatic invasive
7 species prevention account created in RCW 77.12.879 to the aquatic
8 invasive species management account created in section 46 of this
9 act.

10 (2) This section expires July 1, 2016.

11 **Sec. 50.** RCW 77.08.010 and 2014 c 48 s 1 and 2014 c 202 s 301
12 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

13 The definitions in this section apply throughout this title or
14 rules adopted under this title unless the context clearly requires
15 otherwise.

16 (1) "Anadromous game fish buyer" means a person who purchases or
17 sells steelhead trout and other anadromous game fish harvested by
18 Indian fishers lawfully exercising fishing rights reserved by federal
19 statute, treaty, or executive order, under conditions prescribed by
20 rule of the director.

21 (2) "Angling gear" means a line attached to a rod and reel
22 capable of being held in hand while landing the fish or a hand-held
23 line operated without rod or reel.

24 (3) "Bag limit" means the maximum number of game animals, game
25 birds, or game fish which may be taken, caught, killed, or possessed
26 by a person, as specified by rule of the commission for a particular
27 period of time, or as to size, sex, or species.

28 (4) "Building" means a private domicile, garage, barn, or public
29 or commercial building.

30 (5) "Closed area" means a place where the hunting of some or all
31 species of wild animals or wild birds is prohibited.

32 (6)(a) "Closed season" means all times, manners of taking, and
33 places or waters other than those established by rule of the
34 commission as an open season.

35 (b) "Closed season" also means all hunting, fishing, taking, or
36 possession of game animals, game birds, game fish, food fish, or
37 shellfish that do not conform to the special restrictions or physical
38 descriptions established by rule of the commission as an open season

1 or that have not otherwise been deemed legal to hunt, fish, take,
2 harvest, or possess by rule of the commission as an open season.

3 (7) "Closed waters" means all or part of a lake, river, stream,
4 or other body of water, where fishing or harvesting is prohibited.

5 (8) "Commercial" means related to or connected with buying,
6 selling, or bartering.

7 (9) "Commission" means the state fish and wildlife commission.

8 (10) "Concurrent waters of the Columbia river" means those waters
9 of the Columbia river that coincide with the Washington-Oregon state
10 boundary.

11 (11) "Contraband" means any property that is unlawful to produce
12 or possess.

13 (12) "Deleterious exotic wildlife" means species of the animal
14 kingdom not native to Washington and designated as dangerous to the
15 environment or wildlife of the state.

16 (13) "Department" means the department of fish and wildlife.

17 (14) "Director" means the director of the department of fish and
18 wildlife.

19 (15) "Endangered species" means wildlife designated by the
20 commission as seriously threatened with extinction.

21 (16) "Ex officio fish and wildlife officer" means:

22 (a) A commissioned officer of a municipal, county, or state
23 agency having as its primary function the enforcement of criminal
24 laws in general, while the officer is acting in the respective
25 jurisdiction of that agency;

26 (b) An officer or special agent commissioned by one of the
27 following: The national marine fisheries service; the Washington
28 state parks and recreation commission; the United States fish and
29 wildlife service; the Washington state department of natural
30 resources; the United States forest service; or the United States
31 parks service, if the agent or officer is in the respective
32 jurisdiction of the primary commissioning agency and is acting under
33 a mutual law enforcement assistance agreement between the department
34 and the primary commissioning agency;

35 (c) A commissioned fish and wildlife peace officer from another
36 state who meets the training standards set by the Washington state
37 criminal justice training commission pursuant to RCW 10.93.090,
38 43.101.080, and 43.101.200, and who is acting under a mutual law
39 enforcement assistance agreement between the department and the
40 primary commissioning agency; or

1 (d) A Washington state tribal police officer who successfully
2 completes the requirements set forth under RCW 43.101.157, is
3 employed by a tribal nation that has complied with RCW 10.92.020(2)
4 (a) and (b), and is acting under a mutual law enforcement assistance
5 agreement between the department and the tribal government.

6 (17) "Fish" includes all species classified as game fish or food
7 fish by statute or rule, as well as all fin fish not currently
8 classified as food fish or game fish if such species exist in state
9 waters. The term "fish" includes all stages of development and the
10 bodily parts of fish species.

11 (18) "Fish and wildlife officer" means a person appointed and
12 commissioned by the director, with authority to enforce this title
13 and rules adopted pursuant to this title, and other statutes as
14 prescribed by the legislature. Fish and wildlife officer includes a
15 person commissioned before June 11, 1998, as a wildlife agent or a
16 fisheries patrol officer.

17 (19) "Fish broker" means a person whose business it is to bring a
18 seller of fish and shellfish and a purchaser of those fish and
19 shellfish together.

20 (20) "Fish buyer" means:

21 (a) A wholesale fish dealer or a retail seller who directly
22 receives fish or shellfish from a commercial fisher or receives fish
23 or shellfish in interstate or foreign commerce; or

24 (b) A person engaged by a wholesale fish dealer who receives fish
25 or shellfish from a commercial fisher.

26 (21) "Fishery" means the taking of one or more particular species
27 of fish or shellfish with particular gear in a particular
28 geographical area.

29 (22) "Food, food waste, or other substance" includes human and
30 pet food or other waste or garbage that could attract large wild
31 carnivores.

32 (23) "Freshwater" means all waters not defined as saltwater
33 including, but not limited to, rivers upstream of the river mouth,
34 lakes, ponds, and reservoirs.

35 (24) "Fur-bearing animals" means game animals that shall not be
36 trapped except as authorized by the commission.

37 (25) "Fur dealer" means a person who purchases, receives, or
38 resells raw furs for commercial purposes.

39 (26) "Game animals" means wild animals that shall not be hunted
40 except as authorized by the commission.

1 (27) "Game birds" means wild birds that shall not be hunted
2 except as authorized by the commission.

3 (28) "Game farm" means property on which wildlife is held,
4 confined, propagated, hatched, fed, or otherwise raised for
5 commercial purposes, trade, or gift. The term "game farm" does not
6 include publicly owned facilities.

7 (29) "Game reserve" means a closed area where hunting for all
8 wild animals and wild birds is prohibited.

9 (30) "Illegal items" means those items unlawful to be possessed.

10 (31)(a) "Intentionally feed, attempt to feed, or attract" means
11 to purposefully or knowingly provide, leave, or place in, on, or
12 about any land or building any food, food waste, or other substance
13 that attracts or could attract large wild carnivores to that land or
14 building.

15 (b) "Intentionally feed, attempt to feed, or attract" does not
16 include keeping food, food waste, or other substance in an enclosed
17 garbage receptacle or other enclosed container unless specifically
18 directed by a fish and wildlife officer or animal control authority
19 to secure the receptacle or container in another manner.

20 (32) "Large wild carnivore" includes wild bear, cougar, and wolf.

21 (33) "License year" means the period of time for which a
22 recreational license is valid. The license year begins April 1st, and
23 ends March 31st.

24 (34) "Limited-entry license" means a license subject to a license
25 limitation program established in chapter 77.70 RCW.

26 (35) "Money" means all currency, script, personal checks, money
27 orders, or other negotiable instruments.

28 (36) "Natural person" means a human being.

29 (37)(a) "Negligently feed, attempt to feed, or attract" means to
30 provide, leave, or place in, on, or about any land or building any
31 food, food waste, or other substance that attracts or could attract
32 large wild carnivores to that land or building, without the awareness
33 that a reasonable person in the same situation would have with regard
34 to the likelihood that the food, food waste, or other substance could
35 attract large wild carnivores to the land or building.

36 (b) "Negligently feed, attempt to feed, or attract" does not
37 include keeping food, food waste, or other substance in an enclosed
38 garbage receptacle or other enclosed container unless specifically
39 directed by a fish and wildlife officer or animal control authority
40 to secure the receptacle or container in another manner.

1 (38) "Nonresident" means a person who has not fulfilled the
2 qualifications of a resident.

3 (39) "Offshore waters" means marine waters of the Pacific Ocean
4 outside the territorial boundaries of the state, including the marine
5 waters of other states and countries.

6 (40) "Open season" means those times, manners of taking, and
7 places or waters established by rule of the commission for the lawful
8 hunting, fishing, taking, or possession of game animals, game birds,
9 game fish, food fish, or shellfish that conform to the special
10 restrictions or physical descriptions established by rule of the
11 commission or that have otherwise been deemed legal to hunt, fish,
12 take, or possess by rule of the commission. "Open season" includes
13 the first and last days of the established time.

14 (41) "Owner" means the person in whom is vested the ownership
15 dominion, or title of the property.

16 (42) "Person" means and includes an individual; a corporation; a
17 public or private entity or organization; a local, state, or federal
18 agency; all business organizations, including corporations and
19 partnerships; or a group of two or more individuals acting with a
20 common purpose whether acting in an individual, representative, or
21 official capacity.

22 (43) "Personal property" or "property" includes both corporeal
23 and incorporeal personal property and includes, among other property,
24 contraband and money.

25 (44) "Personal use" means for the private use of the individual
26 taking the fish or shellfish and not for sale or barter.

27 (45) "Predatory birds" means wild birds that may be hunted
28 throughout the year as authorized by the commission.

29 (46) "Protected wildlife" means wildlife designated by the
30 commission that shall not be hunted or fished.

31 (47) "Raffle" means an activity in which tickets bearing an
32 individual number are sold for not more than twenty-five dollars each
33 and in which a permit or permits are awarded to hunt or for access to
34 hunt big game animals or wild turkeys on the basis of a drawing from
35 the tickets by the person or persons conducting the raffle.

36 (48) "Resident" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 77.08.075.

37 (49) "Retail-eligible species" means commercially harvested
38 salmon, crab, and sturgeon.

39 (50) "Saltwater" means those marine waters seaward of river
40 mouths.

1 (51) "Seaweed" means marine aquatic plant species that are
2 dependent upon the marine aquatic or tidal environment, and exist in
3 either an attached or free floating form, and includes but is not
4 limited to marine aquatic plants in the classes Chlorophyta,
5 Phaeophyta, and Rhodophyta.

6 (52) "Senior" means a person seventy years old or older.

7 (53) "Shark fin" means a raw, dried, or otherwise processed
8 detached fin or tail of a shark.

9 (54)(a) "Shark fin derivative product" means any product intended
10 for use by humans or animals that is derived in whole or in part from
11 shark fins or shark fin cartilage.

12 (b) "Shark fin derivative product" does not include a drug
13 approved by the United States food and drug administration and
14 available by prescription only or medical device or vaccine approved
15 by the United States food and drug administration.

16 (55) "Shellfish" means those species of marine and freshwater
17 invertebrates that have been classified and that shall not be taken
18 or possessed except as authorized by rule of the commission. The term
19 "shellfish" includes all stages of development and the bodily parts
20 of shellfish species.

21 (56) "State waters" means all marine waters and fresh waters
22 within ordinary high water lines and within the territorial
23 boundaries of the state.

24 (57) "Taxidermist" means a person who, for commercial purposes,
25 creates lifelike representations of fish and wildlife using fish and
26 wildlife parts and various supporting structures.

27 (58) "To fish" and its derivatives means an effort to kill,
28 injure, harass, harvest, or capture a fish or shellfish.

29 (59) "To hunt" and its derivatives means an effort to kill,
30 injure, harass, harvest, or capture a wild animal or wild bird.

31 (60) "To process" and its derivatives mean preparing or
32 preserving fish, wildlife, or shellfish.

33 (61) "To take" and its derivatives means to kill, injure,
34 harvest, or capture a fish, shellfish, wild animal, bird, or seaweed.

35 (62) "To trap" and its derivatives means a method of hunting
36 using devices to capture wild animals or wild birds.

37 (63) "To waste" or "to be wasted" means to allow any edible
38 portion of any game bird, food fish, game fish, shellfish, or big
39 game animal other than cougar to be rendered unfit for human
40 consumption, or to fail to retrieve edible portions of such a game

1 bird, food fish, game fish, shellfish, or big game animal other than
2 cougar from the field. For purposes of this chapter, edible portions
3 of game birds must include, at a minimum, the breast meat of those
4 birds. Entrails, including the heart and liver, of any wildlife
5 species are not considered edible.

6 (64) "Trafficking" means offering, attempting to engage, or
7 engaging in sale, barter, or purchase of fish, shellfish, wildlife,
8 or deleterious exotic wildlife.

9 (65) "Unclaimed" means that no owner of the property has been
10 identified or has requested, in writing, the release of the property
11 to themselves nor has the owner of the property designated an
12 individual to receive the property or paid the required postage to
13 effect delivery of the property.

14 (66) "Unclassified wildlife" means wildlife existing in
15 Washington in a wild state that have not been classified as big game,
16 game animals, game birds, predatory birds, protected wildlife,
17 endangered wildlife, or deleterious exotic wildlife.

18 (67) "Wholesale fish dealer" means a person who, acting for
19 commercial purposes, takes possession or ownership of fish or
20 shellfish and sells, barter, or exchanges or attempts to sell,
21 barter, or exchange fish or shellfish that have been landed into the
22 state of Washington or entered the state of Washington in interstate
23 or foreign commerce.

24 (68) "Wild animals" means those species of the class Mammalia
25 whose members exist in Washington in a wild state. The term "wild
26 animal" does not include feral domestic mammals or old world rats and
27 mice of the family Muridae of the order Rodentia.

28 (69) "Wild birds" means those species of the class Aves whose
29 members exist in Washington in a wild state.

30 (70) "Wildlife" means all species of the animal kingdom whose
31 members exist in Washington in a wild state. This includes but is not
32 limited to mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, and
33 invertebrates. The term "wildlife" does not include feral domestic
34 mammals, old world rats and mice of the family Muridae of the order
35 Rodentia, or those fish, shellfish, and marine invertebrates
36 classified as food fish or shellfish by the director. The term
37 "wildlife" includes all stages of development and the bodily parts of
38 wildlife members.

1 (71) "Wildlife meat cutter" means a person who packs, cuts,
2 processes, or stores wildlife for consumption for another for
3 commercial purposes.

4 (72) "Youth" means a person fifteen years old for fishing and
5 under sixteen years old for hunting.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 51.** The following acts or parts of acts are
7 each repealed:

8 (1) RCW 77.12.605 (Whidbey Island game farm—Sale of property) and
9 1999 c 205 s 1;

10 (2) RCW 77.12.710 (Game fish production—Double by year 2000) and
11 1998 c 245 s 159, 1995 c 399 s 208, 1993 sp.s. c 2 s 70, & 1990 c 110
12 s 2;

13 (3) RCW 77.12.879 (Aquatic invasive species prevention account)
14 and 2014 c 202 s 309 & 2013 c 307 s 1; and

15 (4) RCW 77.65.900 (Effective date—1989 c 316) and 1989 c 316 s
16 22.

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