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By Representatives Chandler, Chappell, Horn, Rust, Mastin, Dickerson, Honeyford, Robertson, Smith and Murray; by request of Department of Ecology

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1 AN ACT Relating to funding hydrilla eradication; and amending RCW
2 43.21A.660.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.21A.660 and 1991 c 302 s 4 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Funds in the freshwater aquatic weeds account may be appropriated
7 to the department of ecology to develop a freshwater aquatic weeds
8 management program to:

9 (1) Issue grants to cities, counties, and state agencies to
10 prevent, remove, reduce, or manage excessive freshwater aquatic weeds.
11 Such grants shall only be issued for lakes, rivers, or streams with a
12 public boat launching ramp. The department shall give preference to
13 projects having matching funds or in-kind services;

14 (2) Develop public education programs relating to preventing the
15 propagation and spread of freshwater aquatic weeds;

16 (3) Provide technical assistance to local governments and citizen
17 groups; ~~((and))~~

18 (4) Fund demonstration or pilot projects consistent with the
19 purposes of this section; and

1 (5) Fund hydrilla eradication activities in waters of the state.

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