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By Senators Rasmussen, Morton, Loveland, Prince, Snyder and Newhouse

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1 AN ACT Relating to weed control; and creating a new section.

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

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The state weed board shall develop a study
4 to determine the cost of controlling weeds on state-owned and managed
5 lands, included along state-owned rights of way. The level of weed
6 control shall be that required of privately owned land adjacent to or
7 in the vicinity of the state lands. The state weed board may conduct
8 the study or may contract with either public or private agencies to
9 conduct and complete the study. The departments of natural resources,
10 transportation, and fish and wildlife, and the parks and recreation
11 commission shall cooperate with the weed board or the contractor in the
12 study.

13 As part of the study, the state weed board shall identify those
14 weed species that are practical to control and should be controlled.
15 The board shall also identify the impacts and estimate the costs of not
16 controlling these weeds. The state weed board may exclude from the
17 study those weeds that, due to high cost or impracticality, cannot be
18 controlled on private lands. The board shall develop a prioritized

- 1 list of weeds that are practical to control and that should be
- 2 controlled on state-owned and managed lands.

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