
SENATE BILL 6778

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1 AN ACT Relating to the approval of habitat conservation plans by
2 the board of natural resources; adding a new section to chapter 43.30
3 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.30 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 There is substantial fiscal impact in the preparation of a habitat
8 conservation plan as well as long-term effects on trust income. The
9 board of natural resources must secure and protect the interests of
10 each of the trusts. Because of the substantial impact on trust income
11 over the length of an agreement, unanimous consent by the board is
12 necessary to safeguard the integrity of each trust. Any agreement that
13 is developed under the federal endangered species act (16 U.S.C. Sec.
14 1531 et seq.) relating to a habitat conservation plan for state lands
15 administered by the department of natural resources must be approved in
16 advance by a unanimous vote of the board of natural resources. All
17 members of the board must be present when the vote is taken.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
3 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
4 effect immediately.

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