

2 **SHB 1455** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 2/18/92**
3 By Committee on Fisheries & Wildlife

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The" legislature finds that the plant
7 resources of marine aquatic ecosystems have inherent value and provide
8 essential habitat. These resources are also becoming increasingly
9 valuable as economic commodities and may be declining. The legislature
10 further finds that the regulation of harvest of these resources is
11 currently inadequate to afford necessary protection."

12 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Unless the context clearly requires
13 otherwise, the definition in this section applies throughout this
14 chapter.

15 "Marine aquatic plants" means marine plant species that are
16 dependent upon the marine aquatic or tidal environment, and exist in
17 either an attached or free-floating state. Marine aquatic plants
18 include seaweed of the classes Chlorophyta, Phaeophyta, and
19 Rhodophyta."

20 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The maximum daily wet weight harvest or
21 possession of seaweed for personal use from all private and state
22 tidelands and state bedlands is ten pounds per person."

23 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A violation of section 3 of this act is
24 a misdemeanor. All law enforcement officers, including fisheries
25 patrol officers, may enforce this chapter."

1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Section 3 of this act shall in no way
2 affect the ability of any state agency to prevent all harvest of marine
3 aquatic plants from lands under its control, ownership, or management.
4 Sections 3 through 6 of this act do not apply to commercial harvest of
5 marine aquatic plants."

6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. The department of fisheries, the
7 department of natural resources, and the state parks and recreation
8 commission shall explore the possibility of private funding sources for
9 marine aquatic plant research, in order to find out more about the
10 resource."

11 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Unless the context clearly requires
12 otherwise, the definition in this section applies throughout this
13 chapter.

14 "Marine aquatic plants" means marine plant species that are
15 dependent upon the marine aquatic or tidal environment, and exist in
16 either an attached or free-floating state. Marine aquatic plants
17 include seaweed of the classes Chlorophyta, Phaeophyta, and
18 Rhodophyta."

19 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. The maximum daily wet weight harvest or
20 possession of seaweed for personal use from all private and state
21 tidelands and state bedlands is ten pounds per person."

22 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A violation of section 8 of this act is
23 a misdemeanor. All law enforcement officers, including fisheries
24 patrol officers, may enforce this chapter."

1 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** Section 8 of this act shall in no way
2 affect the ability of any state agency to prevent all harvest of marine
3 aquatic plants from lands under its control, ownership, or management.
4 Sections 8 through 11 of this act do not apply to commercial harvest of
5 marine aquatic plants."

6 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** The department of fisheries, the
7 department of natural resources, and the state parks and recreation
8 commission shall explore the possibility of private funding sources for
9 marine aquatic plant research, in order to find out more about the
10 resource."

11 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** Sections 2 through 6 of this act are
12 each added to chapter 75.08 RCW."

13 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 13.** Sections 7 through 11 of this act are
14 each added to chapter 79.01 RCW."

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18 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "seaweed;" strike the
19 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 75.08
20 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 79.01 RCW; creating a new section;
21 and prescribing penalties."