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By Senate Committee on Environment & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Senators Talmadge, Skratek and Metcalf).

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to protecting Puget Sound and other water bodies of
- 2 Washington; amending RCW 36.70A.070 and 43.21B.300; reenacting and
- 3 amending RCW 70.146.060; adding a new section to chapter 90.70 RCW;
- 4 adding new sections to chapter 43.20 RCW; adding a new section to
- 5 chapter 90.48 RCW; creating a new section; making an appropriation; and
- 6 providing an effective date.
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 8 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 90.70 RCW
- 9 to read as follows:
- 10 Each element of the plan adopted by the authority shall contain an
- 11 analysis of the activities of all state agencies and their effects on
- 12 the goals of that program. State agencies shall manage state-owned
- 13 lands and resources and carry out other state agency functions in a
- 14 manner to protect and enhance Puget Sound.

- 1 Sec. 2. RCW 36.70A.070 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 s 7 are each
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 The comprehensive plan of a county or city that is required or
- 4 chooses to plan under RCW 36.70A.040 shall consist of a map or maps,
- 5 and descriptive text covering objectives, principles, and standards
- 6 used to develop the comprehensive plan. The plan shall be an
- 7 internally consistent document and all elements shall be consistent
- 8 with the future land use map. A comprehensive plan shall be adopted
- 9 and amended with public participation as provided in RCW 36.70A.140.
- 10 Each comprehensive plan shall include a plan, scheme, or design for
- 11 each of the following:
- 12 (1) A land use element designating the proposed general
- 13 distribution and general location and extent of the uses of land, where
- 14 appropriate, for agriculture, timber production, housing, commerce,
- 15 industry, recreation, open spaces, public utilities, public facilities,
- 16 and other land uses. The land use element shall include population
- 17 densities, building intensities, and estimates of future population
- 18 growth. The land use element shall provide for protection of the
- 19 quality and quantity of ground water used for public water supplies.
- 20 Where applicable, the land use element shall review drainage, flooding,
- 21 and storm water run-off in the area and nearby jurisdictions and
- 22 provide guidance for corrective actions to mitigate or cleanse those
- 23 discharges that pollute waters of the state, including Puget Sound or
- 24 waters entering Puget Sound. Where applicable the land use element
- 25 shall incorporate storm water management programs adopted pursuant to
- 26 the Puget Sound water quality management plan required under RCW
- 27 90.70.060.
- 28 (2) A housing element recognizing the vitality and character of
- 29 established residential neighborhoods that: (a) Includes an inventory
- 30 and analysis of existing and projected housing needs; (b) includes a

- 1 statement of goals, policies, and objectives for the preservation,
- 2 improvement, and development of housing; (c) identifies sufficient land
- 3 for housing, including, but not limited to, government-assisted
- 4 housing, housing for low-income families, manufactured housing,
- 5 multifamily housing, and group homes and foster care facilities; and
- 6 (d) makes adequate provisions for existing and projected needs of all
- 7 economic segments of the community.
- 8 (3) A capital facilities plan element consisting of: (a) An
- 9 inventory of existing capital facilities owned by public entities,
- 10 showing the locations and capacities of the capital facilities; (b) a
- 11 forecast of the future needs for such capital facilities; (c) the
- 12 proposed locations and capacities of expanded or new capital
- 13 facilities; (d) at least a six-year plan that will finance such capital
- 14 facilities within projected funding capacities and clearly identifies
- 15 sources of public money for such purposes; and (e) a requirement to
- 16 reassess the land use element if probable funding falls short of
- 17 meeting existing needs and to ensure that the land use element, capital
- 18 facilities plan element, and financing plan within the capital
- 19 facilities plan element are coordinated and consistent.
- 20 (4) A utilities element consisting of the general location,
- 21 proposed location, and capacity of all existing and proposed utilities,
- 22 including, but not limited to, electrical lines, telecommunication
- 23 lines, and natural gas lines.
- 24 (5) Counties shall include a rural element including lands that are
- 25 not designated for urban growth, agriculture, forest, or mineral
- 26 resources. The rural element shall permit land uses that are
- 27 compatible with the rural character of such lands and provide for a
- 28 variety of rural densities.

- 1 (6) A transportation element that implements, and is consistent
- 2 with, the land use element. The transportation element shall include
- 3 the following subelements:
- 4 (a) Land use assumptions used in estimating travel;
- 5 (b) Facilities and services needs, including:
- 6 (i) An inventory of air, water, and land transportation facilities
- 7 and services, including transit alignments, to define existing capital
- 8 facilities and travel levels as a basis for future planning;
- 9 (ii) Level of service standards for all arterials and transit
- 10 routes to serve as a gauge to judge performance of the system. These
- 11 standards should be regionally coordinated;
- 12 (iii) Specific actions and requirements for bringing into
- 13 compliance any facilities or services that are below an established
- 14 level of service standard;
- 15 (iv) Forecasts of traffic for at least ten years based on the
- 16 adopted land use plan to provide information on the location, timing,
- 17 and capacity needs of future growth;
- 18 (v) Identification of system expansion needs and transportation
- 19 system management needs to meet current and future demands;
- 20 (c) Finance, including:
- 21 (i) An analysis of funding capability to judge needs against
- 22 probable funding resources;
- 23 (ii) A multiyear financing plan based on the needs identified in
- 24 the comprehensive plan, the appropriate parts of which shall serve as
- 25 the basis for the six-year street, road, or transit program required by
- 26 RCW 35.77.010 for cities, RCW 36.81.121 for counties, and RCW
- 27 35.58.2795 for public transportation systems;
- 28 (iii) If probable funding falls short of meeting identified needs,
- 29 a discussion of how additional funding will be raised, or how land use

- 1 assumptions will be reassessed to ensure that level of service
- 2 standards will be met;
- 3 (d) Intergovernmental coordination efforts, including an assessment
- 4 of the impacts of the transportation plan and land use assumptions on
- 5 the transportation systems of adjacent jurisdictions;
- 6 (e) Demand-management strategies.
- 7 (7) The land use, capital facilities, and transportation elements
- 8 of comprehensive plans shall incorporate and be consistent with
- 9 <u>applicable provisions of watershed management plans adopted pursuant to</u>
- 10 the Puget Sound water quality management plan.
- 11 After adoption of the comprehensive plan by jurisdictions required
- 12 to plan or who choose to plan under RCW 36.70A.040, local jurisdictions
- 13 must adopt and enforce ordinances which prohibit development approval
- 14 if the development causes the level of service on a transportation
- 15 facility to decline below the standards adopted in the transportation
- 16 element of the comprehensive plan, unless transportation improvements
- 17 or strategies to accommodate the impacts of development are made
- 18 concurrent with the development. These strategies may include
- 19 increased public transportation service, ride sharing programs, demand
- 20 management, and other transportation systems management strategies.
- 21 For the purposes of this ((subsection (6))) section "concurrent with
- 22 the development" shall mean that improvements or strategies are in
- 23 place at the time of development, or that a financial commitment is in
- 24 place to complete the improvements or strategies within six years.
- 25 The transportation element described in this subsection, and the
- 26 six-year plans required by RCW 35.77.010 for cities, RCW 36.81.121 for
- 27 counties, and RCW 35.58.2795 for public transportation systems, must be
- 28 consistent.

- 1 Sec. 3. RCW 70.146.060 and 1987 c 527 s 1 and 1987 c 436 s 7 are
- 2 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 3 During the period from July 1, 1987, until June 30, 1995, the
- 4 following limitations shall apply to the department's total
- 5 distribution of funds appropriated from the water quality account:
- 6 (1) Not more than fifty percent for water pollution control
- 7 facilities which discharge directly into marine waters, including
- 8 projects to reduce combined sewer overflows;
- 9 (2) Not more than twenty percent for water pollution control
- 10 activities that prevent or mitigate pollution of underground waters and
- 11 facilities that protect federally designated sole source aquifers with
- 12 at least two-thirds for the Spokane-Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer;
- 13 (3) Not more than ten percent for water pollution control
- 14 activities that protect freshwater lakes and rivers including but not
- 15 limited to Lake Chelan and the Yakima and Columbia rivers;
- 16 (4) Not more than ten percent for activities which control nonpoint
- 17 source water pollution;
- 18 (5) Ten percent and such sums as may be remaining from the
- 19 categories specified in subsections (1) through (4) of this section for
- 20 water pollution control activities or facilities as determined by the
- 21 department; and
- 22 (6) Two and one-half percent of the total amounts of moneys under
- 23 subsections (1) through (5) of this section from February 21, 1986,
- 24 until December 31, 1995, shall be appropriated biennially to the state
- 25 conservation commission for the purposes of this chapter. Not less
- 26 than ten percent of the moneys received by the state conservation
- 27 commission under the provisions of this section shall be expended on
- 28 research activities.
- 29 The distribution under this section shall not be required to be met
- 30 in any single fiscal year.

- 1 Funds provided for facilities and activities under this chapter may
- 2 be used for payments to a service provider under a service agreement
- 3 pursuant to RCW 70.150.060. If funds are to be used for such payments,
- 4 the department may make periodic disbursements to a public body or may
- 5 make a single lump sum disbursement. Disbursements of funds with
- 6 respect to a facility owned or operated by a service provider shall be
- 7 equivalent in value to disbursements that would otherwise be made if
- 8 that facility were owned or operated by a public body. Payments under
- 9 this chapter for waste disposal and management facilities made to
- 10 public bodies entering into service agreements pursuant to RCW
- 11 70.150.060 shall not exceed amounts paid to public bodies not entering
- 12 into service agreements.
- 13 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20 RCW
- 14 to read as follows:
- 15 Before the closing of the sale of real property located within a
- 16 marine resource protection area designated under section 5 of this act,
- 17 the seller shall provide a report to the purchaser that discloses
- 18 whether the property being sold is served by a public or private sewer
- 19 system, an on-site sewage disposal system, other means of waste
- 20 disposal, or is undeveloped property. If the property is served by an
- 21 on-site sewage disposal system, the report shall include:
- 22 (1) The location of the system and, if known, the location of
- 23 drainfields identified on a scale drawing;
- 24 (2) Drawings of the system as it was built, if available from
- 25 either the seller or the local health agency; and
- 26 (3) A statement of the most recent pumping of the system and a
- 27 description of the most recent inspection of the system by a certified
- 28 professional, if known.

- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20 RCW
- 2 to read as follows:
- 3 (1) On or before January 1, 1992, the department of health shall
- 4 propose rules for adoption by the state board of health to implement
- 5 section 4 of this act. The rules shall:
- 6 (a) Specify the contents of the report to be provided by the
- 7 seller; and
- 8 (b) Specify criteria to guide local health agencies in the
- 9 designation of marine resource protection areas under subsection (2) of
- 10 this section. The criteria may include, but are not limited to, the
- 11 number and density of on-site sewage disposal systems within an area,
- 12 the presence of other potential contaminant sources, and the potential
- 13 that unique or important marine resources, including shellfish
- 14 resources, may be adversely impacted.
- 15 (2) Before July 1, 1992, each local health agency having
- 16 jurisdiction within counties whose waters drain into Puget Sound shall
- 17 designate marine resource protection areas within which the
- 18 requirements of section 4 of this act shall apply.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** The department of ecology shall establish
- 20 a pilot two-year grant program, beginning July 1, 1991, for local
- 21 governments to conduct demonstration projects for the purpose of
- 22 encouraging the proper disposal and recycling of household waste motor
- 23 oil. The department shall award a minimum of three grants for this
- 24 purpose.
- 25 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 7.** The sum of two hundred thousand dollars, or
- 26 as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium
- 27 ending June 30, 1993, from the state toxics control account to the

- 1 department of ecology to be used for grants to local governments to
- 2 implement section 6 of this act.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 90.48 RCW
- 4 to read as follows:
- 5 All penalties collected under RCW 90.48.144 shall be deposited in
- 6 the water pollution control account, which is hereby created in the
- 7 state treasury. Moneys in the account shall be expended exclusively by
- 8 the department of ecology for the purposes of this chapter, subject to
- 9 legislative appropriation. All earnings of balances in the water
- 10 pollution control account shall be credited to the general fund.
- 11 Sec. 9. RCW 43.21B.300 and 1987 c 109 s 5 are each amended to read
- 12 as follows:
- 13 (1) Any civil penalty provided in RCW 70.94.431, 70.105.080,
- 14 70.107.050, 90.03.600, 90.48.144, and 90.48.350 shall be imposed by a
- 15 notice in writing, either by certified mail with return receipt
- 16 requested or by personal service, to the person incurring the penalty
- 17 from the department or the local air authority, describing the
- 18 violation with reasonable particularity. Within fifteen days after the
- 19 notice is received, the person incurring the penalty may apply in
- 20 writing to the department or the authority for the remission or
- 21 mitigation of the penalty. Upon receipt of the application, the
- 22 department or authority may remit or mitigate the penalty upon whatever
- 23 terms the department or the authority in its discretion deems proper.
- 24 The department or the authority may ascertain the facts regarding all
- 25 such applications in such reasonable manner and under such rules as it
- 26 may deem proper and shall remit or mitigate the penalty only upon a
- 27 demonstration of extraordinary circumstances such as the presence of
- 28 information or factors not considered in setting the original penalty.

- 1 (2) Any penalty imposed under this section may be appealed to the 2 pollution control hearings board in accordance with this chapter if the 3 appeal is filed with the hearings board and served on the department or 4 authority thirty days after receipt by the person penalized of the 5 notice imposing the penalty or thirty days after receipt of the notice
- 7 (3) A penalty shall become due and payable on the later of:

of disposition of the application for relief from penalty.

- 8 (a) Thirty days after receipt of the notice imposing the penalty;
- 9 (b) Thirty days after receipt of the notice of disposition on 10 application for relief from penalty, if such an application is made; or
- 11 (c) Thirty days after receipt of the notice of decision of the
- 12 hearings board if the penalty is appealed.
- 13 (4) If the amount of any penalty is not paid to the
- 14 department within thirty days after it becomes due and payable, the
- 15 attorney general, upon request of the department, shall bring an action
- 16 in the name of the state of Washington in the superior court of
- 17 Thurston county, or of any county in which the violator does business,
- 18 to recover the penalty. If the amount of the penalty is not paid to
- 19 the authority within thirty days after it becomes due and payable, the
- 20 authority may bring an action to recover the penalty in the superior
- 21 court of the county of the authority's main office or of any county in
- 22 which the violator does business. In these actions, the procedures and
- 23 rules of evidence shall be the same as in an ordinary civil action.
- 24 (5) All penalties recovered shall be paid into the state treasury
- 25 and credited to the general fund except those penalties imposed
- 26 pursuant to RCW 70.94.431, the disposition of which shall be governed
- 27 by that provision, RCW 70.105.080, which shall be credited to the
- 28 hazardous waste control and elimination account, created by RCW
- 29 70.105.180, RCW 90.48.144, which shall be credited to the water
- 30 pollution control account, created by section 8 of this act, and RCW

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- 1 90.48.350, which shall be credited to the coastal protection fund
- 2 created by RCW 90.48.390.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 10.** Section 4 of this act shall take effect
- 4 July 1, 1992.