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By Representatives Morton, Mielke, Schoesler, Talcott, Van Luven, Brough, Foreman, Fuhrman and Chandler

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1 AN ACT Relating to grizzly bears; and adding a new section to  
2 chapter 77.16 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.16 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) A person may not import a grizzly bear into this state except  
7 for:

8 (a) Research purposes by a state agency or university;

9 (b) A zoo; or

10 (c) Part of an exhibition such as a circus.

11 (2) A person shall clearly and permanently tag a bear imported  
12 under subsection (1) of this section for identification purposes.

13 (3) A person may not intentionally or negligently release a grizzly  
14 bear into the community or the wild.

15 (4) The department shall adopt rules for the implementation of this  
16 section.

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