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- On page 13, after line 28, insert the following:
- 6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 21. A new section is added to chapter 17.21
 7 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) The purpose of this section is to establish a pilot project to evaluate the feasibility of establishing a limited private applicator license to facilitate the control of weeds, especially those defined as noxious weeds, in Washington state.
 - (2) "Limited private applicator" means a certified applicator who uses or is in direct supervision of the use of any herbicide classified by the EPA or the director as a restricted use pesticide, for the sole purpose of controlling weeds on nonproduction agricultural land owned rented by the applicator or the applicator's employer. Nonproduction agricultural land includes pastures, range land, fencerows, and areas around farm buildings but not aquatic sites. A limited private applicator also may apply restricted use herbicides to nonproduction agricultural land of another person if applied without compensation other than trading of personal services between the applicator and the other person. A limited private applicator may not apply restricted use herbicides through any equipment defined under this chapter as an apparatus.
 - (3) A person may participate in the pilot project by applying to be licensed as a limited private applicator in 1998, 1999, or 2000. The application requirements, fee, and examination requirements for a limited private applicator are the same as for a private applicator.
 - (4)(a) A limited private applicator is exempt from the credit accumulation requirements of RCW 17.21.128(2)(a), and, upon application, begins a recertification period which ends on December 31, 2002.
- 33 (i) Limited private pesticide applicators first applying for a 34 license in 1998 shall accumulate a minimum of ten department-approved 35 credits by the end of the recertification period.

(ii) Limited private pesticide applicators first applying for a license in 1999 shall accumulate a minimum of eight department-approved credits by the end of the recertification period.

- (iii) Limited private pesticide applicators first applying for a license in 2000 shall accumulate a minimum of six department-approved credits by the end of the recertification period.
- (b) All credits must be applicable to the control of weeds with at least half of the credits directly related to weed control.
- (5) Any limited private applicator who successfully completes the recertification requirements of this section is deemed to have met the credit accumulation requirements of RCW 17.21.128(2)(a) for private applicators.
- 13 (6) This section applies only to certified applicators in Ferry and 14 Okanogan counties, Washington and expires December 31, 2002."
- Renumber the remaining sections consecutively, correct internal references accordingly, and correct the title.

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