
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1580

State of Washington

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Regala, Cooke, Conway, Schoesler, Grant, Tokuda, Skinner, Benson, Chopp, Voloria, Van Luven, Blalock, Hatfield, Wood, O'Brien, Ogden and Constantine)

Read first time 03/05/97.

1 AN ACT Relating to community gardens; and creating new sections.

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

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that:

4 (1) Community gardens increase the effectiveness of local
5 communities to take care of themselves, improve family interaction,
6 increase the amount of fresh produce that families consume, improve
7 people's ability to work in group situations, and reduce crime.

8 (2) Many community gardens are managed by volunteers.

9 (3) Cooperative extension service of Washington State University
10 does not have the necessary resources to start, manage, and maintain
11 community gardens.

12 It is the intent of the legislature to support the development of
13 community gardens through the cooperative extension services of
14 Washington State University.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of this
16 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by

1 June 30, 1997, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and
2 void.

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