

HOUSE BILL 2819

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By Representatives Buck, Regala and Chandler; by request of Department of Fish and Wildlife

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1 AN ACT Relating to vehicle use on department of fish and wildlife
2 lands; amending RCW 77.32.380; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.32.380 and 1993 sp.s. c 2 s 77 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Persons (~~((sixteen years of age or older))~~) who enter upon or use
7 ((clearly identified)) department ((lands and)) improved access
8 facilities with a vehicle are required to ((possess a conservation
9 license or a hunting, fishing, trapping, or free license on their
10 person while using the facilities)) display a current annual fish and
11 wildlife lands vehicle use permit on the vehicle while within or while
12 using an improved access facility. An "improved access facility" is an
13 area specifically created for motor vehicle parking, and includes any
14 boat launch or boat ramp associated with the parking area, but does not
15 include the department parking facilities at the Gorge Concert Center
16 near George, Washington. The vehicle use permit is issued in the form
17 of a decal. One decal shall be issued at no charge with each annual
18 saltwater, freshwater, combination, small game hunting, and big game
19 hunting license issued by the department. The annual fee for ((this

1 license)) a fish and wildlife lands vehicle use permit, if purchased
2 separately, is ten dollars ((annually)). Revenue derived from the sale
3 of fish and wildlife lands vehicle use permits shall be used solely for
4 the stewardship and maintenance of department improved access
5 facilities.

6 ~~((The spouse, all children under eighteen years of age, and guests~~
7 ~~under eighteen years of age of the holder of a valid conservation~~
8 ~~license may use department lands and access facilities when accompanied~~
9 ~~by the license holder.~~

10 ~~Youth groups may use department lands and game access facilities~~
11 ~~without possessing a conservation license when accompanied by a license~~
12 ~~holder.~~

13 ~~The conservation license is nontransferable and must be validated~~
14 ~~by the signature of the holder. Upon request of a wildlife agent or ex~~
15 ~~officio wildlife agent a person using clearly identified department~~
16 ~~lands shall exhibit the required license.))~~

17 (2) The decal must be affixed in a permanent manner to the vehicle
18 before entering upon or using the vehicle on a department improved
19 access facility, and must be displayed on the rear window of the
20 vehicle, or, if the vehicle does not have a rear window, on the rear of
21 the vehicle.

22 (3) Failure to display the fish and wildlife lands vehicle use
23 permit required by this section is an infraction, and department
24 employees are authorized to issue a notice of infraction to the
25 registered owner of any vehicle entering upon or using a department
26 improved access facility without such decal. The penalty for failure
27 to display or improper display of the decal is one hundred dollars.

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