

2 By Representative Linville

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4 By Committee on Agriculture & Ecology

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6 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
7 following:

8 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 90.64 RCW
9 to read as follows:

10 (1) A dairy nutrient management task force is created that shall be
11 comprised of no more than fifteen members, who are appointed as
12 follows:

13 (a) Two members of the house of representatives, one from each
14 major caucus, appointed by the co-speakers of the house of
15 representatives;

16 (b) Two members of the senate, one from each major caucus,
17 appointed by the president of the senate;

18 (c) A representative of the department of ecology, appointed by the
19 director of ecology;

20 (d) A representative of the state conservation commission,
21 appointed by its executive secretary;

22 (e) A representative of local conservation districts, appointed by
23 the president of a state-wide association of conservation districts;

24 (f) A representative of local health departments, appointed by the
25 Washington state association of local public health officials;

26 (g) A representative of commercial shellfish growers, appointed by
27 a state-wide organization representing oyster growers;

28 (h) Three active dairy farmers, appointed by a state-wide
29 organization representing dairy farmers in the state, who shall be from
30 different regions and different sizes of dairy operations;

31 (i) A representative of an environmental interest organization with
32 familiarity and expertise in water quality issues, appointed by
33 agreement of the co-speakers of the house of representatives and the
34 president of the senate;

35 (j) A representative of the United States environmental protection
36 agency, appointed by the regional director of the agency if the agency
37 chooses to be represented on the task force; and

1 (k) A representative of the United States natural resources
2 conservation service, appointed by the state conservationist of that
3 agency for this state, if the agency chooses to be represented on the
4 task force.

5 (2) The task force shall convene as soon as possible upon
6 appointment of its members. The task force shall elect a chair and
7 adopt rules for conducting the business of the task force. Staff
8 support for the task force shall be provided by the Washington state
9 conservation commission.

10 (3) This section expires June 30, 2004.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 90.64 RCW
12 to read as follows:

13 (1) By December 31, 2000, the task force shall recommend to the
14 department and to the legislature:

15 (a) Clarification of key terms and phrases such as, but not limited
16 to, "potential to pollute," that are used in the administration of this
17 chapter and other statutes on water quality;

18 (b) How frequently dairy nutrient management plans should be
19 updated, considering the evolution of technical standards developed by
20 the natural resources conservation service;

21 (c) Considering the report under section 3 of this act, the
22 disposition of penalties collected from dairy producers under chapter
23 90.48 RCW;

24 (d) Considering the report under section 4 of this act, recommended
25 sources of funding to meet the needs identified in the report;

26 (e) The extent to which engineering expertise is required to
27 implement the provisions of this chapter;

28 (f) How to address responsibility for contamination originating
29 from neighboring farms; and

30 (g) Clarification of the duties of the department as they pertain
31 to initial inspections of dairy farms.

32 (2) The task force shall make recommendations to the department and
33 to the legislature on any other issues, and at such times, as the task
34 force deems important to the successful implementation of this chapter.

35 (3) This section expires June 30, 2004.

36 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) By September 1, 2000, the department of
37 ecology shall report to the dairy nutrient management task force on the

1 penalties assessed on dairy producers for violations of chapters 90.48
2 and 90.64 RCW since January 1, 1998. The report shall indicate the
3 amount of money from these penalties that was deposited into the
4 coastal protection fund created under RCW 90.48.390 and the amount
5 deposited into the dairy waste management account created under RCW
6 90.64.150. The report shall also indicate the purposes for which
7 moneys reported under this section were expended.

8 (2) This section expires December 31, 2000.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** (1) By September 1, 2000, the office of
10 financial management shall make recommendations to the dairy nutrient
11 management task force on how to provide adequate funding for the dairy
12 nutrient management program. The recommendations shall include an
13 identification of need, if any, for additional funding for each of the
14 following purposes:

15 (a) To perform functions required by conservation districts and the
16 state conservation commission;

17 (b) To provide technical assistance for development of dairy
18 nutrient management plans; and

19 (c) For cost-share moneys for implementation of the plans based on
20 fifty percent of the eligible costs to be derived from public sources.
21 The recommendations shall be for the amount of funding for these
22 purposes that is required each fiscal year through June 30, 2004, in
23 order to meet the deadlines established in chapter 90.64 RCW.

24 (2) The office of financial management shall submit its written
25 recommendations to the co-chief clerks of the house of representatives
26 and the secretary of the senate.

27 (3) This section expires December 31, 2000."

28 Correct the title.

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