

2 SSB 5424 - S AMD - 228
3 By Senators Morton and Fraser

4 ADOPTED 3/15/99

5 On page 2, after line 8, insert the following:

6 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 90.48 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) Subject to restrictions in this section, a government entity
9 seeking to control a limited infestation of Eurasian water milfoil may
10 use the pesticide 2,4-D to treat the milfoil infestation, without
11 obtaining a permit under RCW 90.48.445, if the milfoil infestation is
12 either recently documented or remaining after the application of other
13 control measures, and is limited to twenty percent or less of the
14 littoral zone of the lake. Any pesticide application made under this
15 section must be made according to all label requirements for the
16 product and must meet the public notice requirements of subsection (2)
17 of this section.

18 (2) Before applying 2,4-D, the government entity shall: (a)
19 Provide at least twenty-one days' notice to the department of ecology,
20 the department of fish and wildlife, the department of agriculture, the
21 department of health, and all lake residents; (b) post notices of the
22 intent to apply 2,4-D at all public access points; and (c) place
23 informational buoys around the treatment area.

24 (3) The department of fish and wildlife may impose timing
25 restrictions on the use of 2,4-D to protect salmon and other fish and
26 wildlife.

27 (4) The department may prohibit the use of 2,4-D if the department
28 finds the product contains dioxin.

29 (5) Government entities using this section to apply 2,4-D may apply
30 for funds from the freshwater aquatic weeds account consistent with the
31 freshwater aquatic weeds management program as provided in RCW
32 43.21A.660.

33 (6) Government entities using this section shall consider
34 development of long-term control strategies for eradication and control
35 of the Eurasian water milfoil.

1 (7) For the purpose of this section, "government entities" includes
2 cities, counties, state agencies, tribes, special purpose districts,
3 and county weed boards."

4 **SSB 5424** - S AMD - 228
5 By Senators Morton and Fraser

6 ADOPTED 3/15/99

7 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "adding" strike "a new
8 section" and insert "new sections"

EFFECT: Government entities are granted limited authority to use
the pesticide 2,4-D to treat an initial infestation of Eurasian water
milfoil.

--- END ---