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1            AN ACT Relating to natural area preserves; and creating new  
2 sections.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** The department of natural resources shall  
5 not adopt a new management plan pertaining to any natural area  
6 preserves in Grays Harbor county and Pacific county before January 10,  
7 2000.

8            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** The house of representatives natural  
9 resources committee shall study the following aspects of the natural  
10 area preserves program created under chapter 79.70 RCW:

11            (1) The potential impact, if any, of defining natural area preserve  
12 boundaries which encompass land that has not yet been purchased for the  
13 program;

14            (2) The correlation between the goals and purposes of the natural  
15 area preserves program and the natural resource conservation area  
16 program and the potential use of both programs in selected areas;

17            (3) The current procedures that ensure the adequacy of local public  
18 input concerning natural area preserve boundaries and management;

1           (4) The criteria and scientific methods used to ensure that natural  
2 area preserves fulfill the purposes of the program.

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