
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1744

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By House Committee on Agriculture & Ecology (originally sponsored by Representatives Schoesler and G. Chandler)

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1 AN ACT Relating to regulation of outflow of lakes; and amending RCW
2 90.24.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 90.24.010 and 1985 c 398 s 28 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Ten or more owners of real property abutting on a ((meandered))
7 lake may petition the superior court of the county in which the lake is
8 situated, for an order to provide for the regulation of the outflow of
9 the lake in order to maintain a certain water level therein. If there
10 are fewer than ten owners, a majority of the owners abutting on a lake
11 may petition the superior court for such an order. The court, after
12 notice to the department of fish and wildlife and a hearing, is
13 authorized to make an order fixing the water level thereof and
14 directing the department of ecology to regulate the outflow therefrom
15 in accordance with the purposes described in the petition. This
16 section shall not apply to any ((meandered)) lake or reservoir used for

- 1 the storage of water for irrigation or other beneficial purposes, or to
- 2 lakes navigable from the sea.

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