
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2107

State of Washington

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By House Committee on Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Anderson and Linville)

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1 AN ACT Relating to limiting fishing of shrimp; amending RCW
2 75.28.130; adding a new section to chapter 75.28 RCW; adding new
3 sections to chapter 75.30 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 75.28 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The legislature finds that it is in the public interest to convert
8 the Puget Sound shrimp fishery from the status of an emerging fishery
9 to that of a limited entry fishery. The purpose of this act is to
10 initiate this conversion, recognizing that additional details
11 associated with the shrimp fishery limited entry program will need to
12 be developed. The legislature intends to complete the development of
13 the laws associated with this limited entry fishery program during the
14 next regular session and will complete the development of laws
15 associated with this limited entry fishery program during the next
16 regular session and will consider recommendations from the industry and
17 the department during this program.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 75.28.130 and 1994 c 260 s 14 are each amended to read
 2 as follows:

3 (1) This section establishes commercial fishery licenses required
 4 for shellfish fisheries and the annual fees for those licenses. The
 5 director may issue a limited-entry commercial fishery license only to
 6 a person who meets the qualifications established in applicable
 7 governing sections of this title.

	Fishery (Governing section(s))	Annual Fee		Vessel Required?	Limited Entry?
		Resident	Nonresident		
10	(a) Burrowing shrimp	\$185	\$295	Yes	No
11	(b) Crab ring net-	\$130	\$185	Yes	No
12	Non-Puget Sound				
13	(c) Crab ring net-	\$130	\$185	Yes	No
14	Puget Sound				
15	(d) Dungeness crab-	\$295	\$520	Yes	Yes
16	coastal (RCW 75.30.350)				
17	(e) Dungeness crab-	\$295	\$520	Yes	Yes
18	coastal, class B				
19	(RCW 75.30.350)				
20	(f) Dungeness crab-	\$130	\$185	Yes	Yes
21	Puget Sound				
22	(RCW 75.30.130)				
23	(g) Emerging commercial	\$185	\$295	Determined	Determined
24	fishery (RCW 75.30.220			by rule	by rule
25	and 75.28.740)				
26	(h) Geoduck (RCW	\$ 0	\$ 0	Yes	Yes
27	75.30.280)				
28	(i) Hardshell clam	\$530	\$985	Yes	No
29	mechanical harvester				
30	(RCW 75.28.280)				
31	(j) Oyster reserve	\$130	\$185	No	No
32	(RCW 75.28.290)				
33	(k) Razor clam	\$130	\$185	No	No
34	(l) Sea cucumber dive	\$130	\$185	Yes	Yes
35	(RCW 75.30.250)				
36	(m) Sea urchin dive	\$130	\$185	Yes	Yes
37	(RCW 75.30.210)				
38	(n) Shellfish dive	\$130	\$185	Yes	No
39	(o) Shellfish pot	\$130	\$185	Yes	No
40	(p) Shrimp pot-	(\$325	—\$575))	Yes	((No))
41	((Hood Canal))	<u>\$185</u>	<u>\$295</u>		<u>Yes</u>
42	<u>Puget Sound</u>				
43	<u>(section 3 of this act)</u>				
44	(q) Shrimp trawl-	\$240	\$405	Yes	No
45	Non-Puget Sound				

1	(r) Shrimp trawl-	\$185	\$295	Yes	((No))
2					<u>Yes</u>
3	Puget Sound				
4	<u>(section 4 of this act)</u>				
5	(s) Squid	\$185	\$295	Yes	No

6 (2) The director may by rule determine the species of shellfish
7 that may be taken with the commercial fishery licenses established in
8 this section, the gear that may be used with the licenses, and the
9 areas or waters in which the licenses may be used. Where a fishery
10 license has been established for a particular species, gear,
11 geographical area, or combination thereof, a more general fishery
12 license may not be used to take shellfish in that fishery.

13 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 75.30 RCW
14 to read as follows:

15 (1) The Puget Sound shrimp emerging fishery management regime is
16 converted from an emerging fishery status to a limited entry fishery
17 status effective January 1, 2000.

18 (2) Effective January 1, 2000, a person shall not fish for shrimp
19 taken from Puget Sound for commercial purposes with shrimp pot gear
20 except under the provisions of a shrimp pot-Puget Sound fishery license
21 issued under RCW 75.28.130.

22 (3) Effective January 1, 2000, a shrimp pot-Puget Sound fishery
23 license shall only be issued to a natural person who held an emerging
24 commercial fishery license and Puget Sound shrimp pot experimental
25 fishery permit during 1999. Beginning January 1, 2001, a shrimp pot-
26 Puget Sound fishery license shall only be issued to a natural person
27 who held a shrimp pot-Puget Sound fishery license during the previous
28 year.

29 (4) Shrimp pot-Puget Sound fishery licenses are nontransferable.

30 (5) The department, by rule, may set licensee participation
31 requirements for Puget Sound shellfish trawl shrimp harvest.

32 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 75.30 RCW
33 to read as follows:

34 (1) The Puget Sound shrimp emerging fishery management regime is
35 converted from an emerging fishery status to a limited entry fishery
36 status effective January 1, 2000.

37 (2) Effective January 1, 2000, a person shall not fish for shrimp
38 taken from Puget Sound for commercial purposes with shrimp trawl gear

1 except under the provisions of a shrimp trawl-Puget Sound fishery
2 license issued under RCW 75.28.130.

3 (3) Effective January 1, 2000, a shrimp trawl-Puget Sound fishery
4 license shall only be issued to a natural person who held an emerging
5 commercial fishery license and Puget Sound shrimp trawl experimental
6 fishery permit during 1999. Beginning January 1, 2001, a shrimp trawl-
7 Puget Sound fishery license shall only be issued to a natural person
8 who held a shrimp trawl-Puget Sound fishery license during the previous
9 licensing year.

10 (4) The department, by rule, may set licensee participation
11 requirements for Puget Sound shellfish trawl shrimp harvest.

12 (5) Shrimp trawl-Puget Sound fishery licenses are nontransferable.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The department of fish and wildlife and the
14 Puget Sound shrimp fishing industry shall work cooperatively to refine
15 the limited entry management program for the Puget Sound shrimp
16 fishery. The department shall make recommendations to the natural
17 resources committee of the house of representatives and the natural
18 resources committee of the senate by December 31, 1999, on the details
19 of the limited entry program, including a plan for converting from
20 nontransferable to transferable licenses.

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