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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Anderson and Linville)

Brief Title: Limiting fishing of shrimp.

HB 2107-S.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Declares that the Puget Sound shrimp emerging fishery management regime is converted from an emerging fishery status to a limited entry fishery status effective January 1, 2000.

Declares that, effective January 1, 2000, a person shall not fish for shrimp taken from Puget Sound for commercial purposes with shrimp pot gear except under the provisions of a shrimp pot-Puget Sound fishery license issued under RCW 75.28.130.

Provides that, effective January 1, 2000, a person shall not fish for shrimp taken from Puget Sound for commercial purposes with shrimp trawl gear except under the provisions of a shrimp trawl-Puget Sound fishery license issued under RCW 75.28.130.

Directs the department of fish and wildlife and the Puget Sound shrimp fishing industry to work cooperatively to refine the limited entry management program for the Puget Sound shrimp fishery. The department shall make recommendations to the natural resources committee of the house of representatives and the natural resources committee of the senate by December 31, 1999, on the details of the limited entry program, including a plan for converting from nontransferable to transferable licenses.