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Sponsor(s): Senators Patterson, Prentice, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, Heavey, Brown, Kline and Costa

Brief Description: Prohibiting the display of wild and exotic animals for public entertainment or amusement.

**SB 6436 - DIGEST**

Provides that no person may display or sponsor a display of wild or exotic animals within the state of Washington.

Provides that a violation of this provision is a misdemeanor.

Declares that the provisions of this act do not apply to the display of wild or exotic animals: (1) At institutions accredited by the American zoo and aquarium association;

(2) at institutions accredited by the association of sanctuaries;

(3) on the premises of a television or movie studio setting where such animals are being kept temporarily for the purposes of film production; and

(4) at nonaccredited permanent facilities in existence before January 1, 2000, that do not transport animals other than for veterinary care.