
HOUSE BILL 2162

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By Representatives Murray and Ericksen

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1 AN ACT Relating to studying methods for calculating water-dependent
2 lease rates for marinas on state-owned aquatic lands; and creating a
3 new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that the current
6 method for determining water-dependent rental rates for aquatic land
7 leases for marinas may not be achieving the management goals in RCW
8 79.90.455. The current method for setting rental rates for marinas, as
9 well as alternatives to the current methods, should be evaluated in
10 light of achieving management goals for aquatic lands leases.

11 (2) The department of natural resources shall study and prepare a
12 report to the legislature on alternatives to the current method for
13 determination of water-dependent rent for marina lessees, as set forth
14 in RCW 79.90.480.

15 (3) The report shall be prepared with the assistance of appropriate
16 outside economic expertise, and with marina owner and other stakeholder
17 involvement. Affected marina owners and stakeholders shall participate
18 with the department of natural resources by providing information
19 necessary to complete this study. This information must include gross

1 income and expenses from each marina with details on the sources of
2 income and cause of expense. For each method, the report must:

3 (a) Describe each method and the costs and benefits of each;

4 (b) Compare each with the current method of calculating rents;

5 (c) Provide the private industry perspective;

6 (d) Describe the public perspective;

7 (e) Analyze the impact on state lease revenue;

8 (f) Evaluate the impacts of water-dependent rates on economic
9 development in economically distressed counties;

10 (g) Evaluate the liabilities associated with marinas; and

11 (h) Evaluate the ease and cost of administration.

12 (4) The report shall be presented to the legislature by September
13 1, 2001, with the recommendations of the department of natural
14 resources clearly identified. The department's recommendations must
15 include draft legislation as necessary for implementation of its
16 recommendations.

17 (5) In order to facilitate the participation of affected
18 stakeholders in the preparation of the report to the legislature, the
19 department of natural resources shall form a marina rent committee.

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