
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2341

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By House Committee on Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Eickmeyer, Grant, Schoesler, Doumit and Jackley)

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1 AN ACT Relating to controlling game damage to crops; and adding a
2 new section to chapter 77.36 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.36 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The department must maintain a list of persons holding valid
7 wildlife hunting licenses, arranged by county of residence, who have
8 indicated that they are available to hunt deer or elk that are causing
9 damage to crops. Individuals must meet all the qualifications
10 established by the department in order to be placed upon the list. The
11 department must update the list at least once every three years. The
12 department must utilize this list when contacting persons to assist in
13 controlling game damage to crops. The department must make all
14 reasonable efforts to use an individual who resides within the county
15 where the hunting of deer or elk will occur before contacting a person
16 who is not a resident of that county. The department must rotate the
17 names of people who it contacts on the list in order to provide a fair
18 distribution of the hunting opportunity. Hunters who participate in
19 hunts under this section must report any kills to the department. The

1 department shall include a summary of the wildlife harvested in these
2 hunts in the annual game management reports it makes available to the
3 public.

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