

**SHB 2650** - H AMD

By Representative Sump

1 On page 3, after line 10, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 79.70  
3 RCW to read as follows:

4 Prior to recognizing an important bird area under this chapter,  
5 the department must:

6 (1) Publish notice of the proposed important bird area in the  
7 Washington state register;

8 (2) Publish notice of the proposed important bird area in a  
9 newspaper of general circulation in the county where the proposed  
10 important bird area is located; and

11 (3) Conduct at least one public hearing in the county where the  
12 proposed important bird area is located."

13 Correct the title, renumber the sections accordingly and  
14 correct any internal references.

**EFFECT:** Establishes notice and hearing requirements prior to  
the recognition of an important bird area.