

**SHB 2884** - H AMD

By Representative Dunshee

1           Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3           "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that many people  
4 visit Washington state to watch orcas, the orca is a significant  
5 symbol for the Native American culture, there are pods of orcas  
6 that migrate annually through Puget Sound, and the orca is easily  
7 recognizable because of its distinct markings. The legislature  
8 intends to promote orca awareness and to encourage protection of  
9 the natural marine habitat by designating the orca as the official  
10 marine mammal of the state of Washington.

11           NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 1.20  
12 RCW to read as follows:

13           The orca, *Orcinus orca*, is hereby designated as the official  
14 marine mammal of the state of Washington."

**EFFECT:** Deletes the word "whale."