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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2846**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** House Committee on Fisheries, Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives Sump, Cooper, Romero, Buck, Pearson, Holmquist, Jarrett, Wood and Woods)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the unlawful use of a hook; adding a new section  
2 to chapter 77.15 RCW; prescribing penalties; and declaring an  
3 emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.15 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) A person is guilty of the unlawful use of a hook if the person  
8 intentionally utilizes, or attempts to use, a hook in such a way that  
9 it could be reasonably foreseen to pierce the flesh or mouth of a bird  
10 or mammal.

11 (2) Unlawful use of a hook is a gross misdemeanor.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
13 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
14 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
15 immediately.

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