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Sponsor(s): Representatives Haigh, Sump, Cooper, Armstrong, Pearson, McDermott and Chase; by request of Department of Fish and Wildlife

Brief Description: Allowing the department of fish and wildlife to use approved controlled substances for chemical capture programs.

**HB 1144 - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Finds that wildlife management often requires the department of fish and wildlife to immobilize individual animals in order for the animals to be moved, treated, examined, or for other legitimate purposes.

Finds that it is often necessary for the department to use certain controlled substances to accomplish these purposes.

Provides that the department of fish and wildlife, in coordination with the board of pharmacy, should be enabled to use approved controlled substances in order to accomplish its legitimate wildlife management goals.

Provides that the department of fish and wildlife must not permit a person to administer controlled substances unless the person has demonstrated adequate knowledge of the potential hazards and proper techniques to be used in administering controlled substances.

Directs the board to suspend or revoke registration upon determination that the person administering controlled substances has not demonstrated adequate knowledge as required by this section. This authority is granted in addition to any other power to suspend or revoke registration as provided by law.