

1887-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Fisheries, Ecology & Parks  
(originally sponsored by Representatives Linville, Sump, Cooper,  
Buck and Hatfield)

Brief Description: Creating the commercial fisheries permit buyback  
account.

**HB 1887-S - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Directs the fish and wildlife commission to collect a fee upon  
all deliveries of fish or shellfish from persons holding: (1) A  
federal pacific groundfish limited entry permit with a trawl  
endorsement;

(2) An ocean pink shrimp delivery license issued under RCW  
77.65.390;

(3) A Dungeness crab--coastal fishery license issued under RCW  
77.70.280;

(4) A food fish delivery license issued under RCW 77.65.200;  
or

(5) A shrimp trawl license under RCW 77.65.220, to repay the  
federal government for moneys advanced by the federal government  
under a groundfish fleet reduction program established by the  
federal government.

Provides that the fee charged to the holders of a Dungeness  
crab--coastal fishery license may not exceed two percent of total  
annual landings, and the fee charged to all other eligible license  
holders may not exceed five percent of total annual landings. The  
commission may adjust the fee schedule as necessary to ensure that  
the funds collected are adequate to repay the debt obligation of  
each fishery.

Requires the commission to deposit moneys collected under this  
act in the commercial fisheries buyback account created in this  
act.

Provides that the commission may not assess the fee specified  
until after the federal government creates a groundfish fleet  
reduction program.

Repeals RCW 77.70.380.