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Sponsor(s): Representatives Mastin and Dunshee

Brief Description: Expanding the criteria for habitat conservation programs.

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(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Amends RCW 79A.15.030 to provide that moneys appropriated for this chapter shall be divided as follows: (1) Appropriations of forty million dollars or less must be allocated equally between the habitat conservation account and the outdoor recreation account.

(2) If appropriations total more than forty million dollars, the money must be allocated as follows: (a) Twenty million dollars to the habitat conservation account and twenty million dollars to the outdoor recreation account; (b) any remaining amounts must be allocated as follows: (1) Thirty percent to the habitat conservation account; (2) thirty percent to the outdoor recreation account; (3) thirty percent to the riparian protection account; and (4) ten percent to the farmlands preservation account.

Provides that state agencies receiving grants for acquisition of land under RCW 79A.15.040 shall pay an amount in lieu of real property taxes and an additional amount for control of noxious weeds as determined in RCW 77.12.203.

Establishes the riparian protection account in the state treasury.

Establishes the farmlands preservation account in the state treasury.