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

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 19.188
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
6 section.

7 (a) "Video game" means an object or device that stores recorded
8 data or instructions, receives data or instructions generated by a
9 person who uses it, and, by processing the data or instructions,
10 creates an interactive game capable of being played, viewed, or
11 experienced on or through a computer, gaming system, console, or other
12 technology.

13 (b) "Video game retailer" means a person who sells or rents video
14 games to the public.

15 (c) "Point of sale" means the location in the retail establishment
16 at which a transaction occurs resulting in the sale or rental of a
17 video game.

18 (2) Every video game retailer shall post signs providing
19 information to consumers about the existence of a nationally recognized
20 video game rating system, or notifying consumers that a rating system
21 is available, to aid in the selection of a game if such a rating system
22 is in existence.

23 (3) The signs shall be posted within the retail establishment in
24 prominent areas near the video game displays. The signs shall also be
25 posted at points of sale, unless the retailer has a system in place
26 that prompts the retailer to check the identification of purchasers who
27 appear to be under the age of eighteen who are attempting to purchase
28 video games intended for adult audiences. The signs and lettering
29 shall be clearly visible to consumers.

1 (4) A video game retailer shall make available to consumers, upon
2 request, information that explains the video game rating system."

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3 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "games;" strike the remainder
4 of the title and insert "and adding a new section to chapter 19.188
5 RCW."

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