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Development, Agriculture & Trade.

1            AN ACT Relating to recertification standards for private  
2 applicators of pesticides; and amending RCW 17.21.128.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 17.21.128 and 2004 c 100 s 3 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) The director may renew any certification or license issued  
7 under authority of this chapter subject to the recertification  
8 standards identified in subsection (2) of this section or an  
9 examination requiring new knowledge that may be required to apply  
10 pesticides.

11            (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, all  
12 individuals licensed under this chapter shall meet the recertification  
13 standards identified in (a) or (b) of this subsection, every five  
14 years, in order to qualify for continuing licensure.

15            (a) Licensed pesticide applicators may qualify for continued  
16 licensure through accumulation of recertification credits.

17            (i) Private applicators shall accumulate a minimum of twenty  
18 department-approved credits every five years with no more than  
19 (~~eight~~) twelve credits allowed per year;

1 (ii) Limited private applicators shall accumulate a minimum of  
2 eight department-approved credits every five years. All credits must  
3 be applicable to the control of weeds with at least one-half of the  
4 credits directly related to weed control and the remaining credits in  
5 topic areas indirectly related to weed control, such as the safe and  
6 legal use of pesticides;

7 (iii) Rancher private applicators shall accumulate a minimum of  
8 twelve department-approved credits every five years;

9 (iv) All other license types established under this chapter shall  
10 accumulate a minimum of forty department-approved credits every five  
11 years with no more than fifteen credits allowed per year.

12 (b) Certified pesticide applicators may qualify for continued  
13 licensure through meeting the examination requirements necessary to  
14 become licensed in those areas in which the licensee operates.

15 (3) At the termination of a licensee's five-year recertification  
16 period, the director may waive the requirements identified in  
17 subsection (2) of this section if the licensee can demonstrate that he  
18 or she is meeting comparable recertification standards through another  
19 state or jurisdiction or through a federal environmental protection  
20 agency approved government agency plan.

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