
SENATE BILL 5382

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By Senators Jacobsen and Oke

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1 AN ACT Relating to destruction of dogs harassing big game; and
2 amending RCW 77.12.315.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.12.315 and 2000 c 107 s 221 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 If the director determines that a severe problem exists in an area
7 of the state because ((~~deer and elk~~)) big game animals are being
8 pursued, harassed, attacked, or killed by dogs, the director may
9 declare by emergency rule that an emergency exists and specify the area
10 where it is lawful for fish and wildlife officers to take into custody
11 or destroy the dogs if necessary. Fish and wildlife officers who take
12 into custody or destroy a dog pursuant to this section are immune from
13 civil or criminal liability arising from their actions.

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