

SENATE BILL 6401

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1 AN ACT Relating to charter licenses; and amending RCW 77.65.150.

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

3 Sec. 1. RCW 77.65.150 and 2000 c 107 s 36 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) The director shall issue the charter licenses and angler
6 permits listed in this section according to the requirements of this
7 title. The licenses and permits and their annual fees and surcharges
8 are:

	License or Permit	Annual Fee		Governing Section
		Resident	Nonresident	
		(RCW 77.95.090 Surcharge)		
(a)	Nonsalmon charter	\$225	\$375	
(b)	Salmon charter	\$380	\$685	RCW 77.70.050
		(plus \$100)	(plus \$100)	
(c)	Salmon angler	\$ 0	\$ 0	RCW 77.70.060
(d)	Salmon roe	\$ 95	\$ 95	RCW 77.65.350

1 (2) A salmon charter license designating a vessel is required to
2 operate a charter boat (~~(to take)~~) from which persons may, for a fee,
3 fish for salmon, other food fish, and shellfish. The director may
4 issue a salmon charter license only to a person who meets the
5 qualifications of RCW 77.70.050.

6 (3) A nonsalmon charter license designating a vessel is required to
7 operate a charter boat (~~(to take)~~) from which persons may, for a fee,
8 fish for food fish other than salmon and shellfish. As used in this
9 subsection, "food fish" does not include salmon.

10 (4) "Charter boat" means a vessel from which persons may, for a
11 fee, fish for food fish or shellfish for personal use(~~(, and that~~
12 ~~brings food fish or shellfish into state ports or brings food fish or~~
13 ~~shellfish taken from state waters into United States ports)) in state
14 waters. "Charter boat" also means a vessel from which persons may, for
15 a fee, fish for food fish or shellfish for personal use in offshore
16 waters, or in the waters of other states, and that brings food fish or
17 shellfish into Washington state waters or ports. The director may
18 specify by rule when a vessel is a "charter boat" within this
19 definition. Except for Lake Washington or that part of the Columbia
20 river below the bridge at Longview, "charter boat" does not mean a
21 vessel used by a guide for clients fishing for food fish for personal
22 use in freshwater rivers, streams, and lakes(~~(, other than Lake~~
23 ~~Washington or that part of the Columbia River below the bridge at~~
24 ~~Longview)).~~ "Charter boat" does mean a vessel from which persons may,
25 for a fee, fish for food fish or shellfish for personal use in Columbia
26 river waters below the Longview bridge and Lake Washington.~~

27 (5) A charter boat licensed in Oregon may fish without a Washington
28 charter license under the same rules as Washington charter boat
29 operators in ocean waters within the jurisdiction of Washington state
30 from the southern border of the state of Washington to Leadbetter
31 Point, as long as the Oregon vessel does not (~~(land at any Washington~~
32 ~~port with the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers)) take on
33 or discharge passengers for any purpose from the Washington shore. The
34 provisions of this subsection shall be in effect as long as the state
35 of Oregon has reciprocal laws and regulations.~~

36 (6) A salmon charter license under subsection (1)(b) of this
37 section may be renewed if the license holder notifies the department by
38 May 1st of that year that he or she will not participate in the fishery

1 during that calendar year. The license holder must pay the one
2 hundred-dollar enhancement surcharge, plus a fifteen-dollar handling
3 charge, in order to be considered a valid renewal and eligible to renew
4 the license the following year.

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