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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6535**

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**State of Washington                      59th Legislature                      2006 Regular Session**

**By Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation**  
**(originally sponsored by Senator Jacobsen)**

READ FIRST TIME 02/03/06.

1            AN ACT Relating to aquatic lands; creating new sections;  
2            prescribing penalties; providing an expiration date; and declaring an  
3            emergency.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A city with a population of five hundred  
6            thousand or greater has sixty days from the effective date of this  
7            section to negotiate a lease of aquatic lands with the department. If  
8            the city fails to negotiate the lease of aquatic lands, the department  
9            of natural resources may impose the lease conditions of a county with  
10           a population of one million or greater.

11           NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** The department of natural resources and the  
12           city with a population of five hundred thousand or greater may utilize  
13           the services of a mediator to ensure the successful negotiation of the  
14           leases referenced in this act.

15           NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.** A city with a population of five hundred  
16           thousand or greater may not be granted, nor may it spend, any aquatic

1 lands enhancement account funds until all leases referenced in this act  
2 are signed.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act expires June 30, 2008.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
5 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
6 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
7 immediately.

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