
**Agriculture & Natural Resources
Committee**

HB 2788

Brief Description: Organizing definitions in Title 77 RCW.

Sponsors: Representatives VanDeWege, Blake, Orcutt, Kretz, Nelson, Grant, Williams, Eickmeyer, Linville and McCoy.

<p>Brief Summary of Bill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consolidates and alphabetizes definitions in Title 77.
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Hearing Date: 1/30/08

Staff: Jason Callahan (786-7117).

Background:

Title 77 of the Revised Code of Washington governs the Department of Fish and Wildlife and overall fish and wildlife management policy in the state. The construction of Title 77 is such that there is one main definition section applicable to the entire chapter, and over a dozen other freestanding sections that serve only to provide a definition for one term or a small grouping of terms. In addition, there are other definitions applicable to the provisions of Title 77 that appear within the construction of other subtenant laws. The main definition section of Title 77 contains 56 definitions. These are not currently codified in alphabetical order.

Summary of Bill:

Many definitions applicable to Title 77 are relocated to the central definition section for the title. The Office of Code Revisor is directed to put those definitions into alphabetical order.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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