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1 AN ACT Relating to providing notice in real estate transactions of
2 proximity to lands used for public hunting; amending RCW 64.06.022; and
3 adding a new section to chapter 77.12 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.12 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The department may, when deemed appropriate by the director based
8 on local circumstances and departmental resources, partner with
9 volunteer organizations and real estate professionals to educate
10 potential real estate sellers and buyers of the location and
11 traditional uses of any land in proximity to a potential transaction
12 where public hunting has been, is, or may be permitted.

13 **Sec. 2.** RCW 64.06.022 and 2006 c 77 s 1 are each amended to read
14 as follows:

15 A seller of real property shall make available to the buyer the
16 following (~~statement~~) two statements regarding possible preexisting
17 nearby land uses:

1 (1) "This notice is to inform you that the real property you are
2 considering for purchase may lie in close proximity to a farm. The
3 operation of a farm involves usual and customary agricultural
4 practices, which are protected under RCW 7.48.305, the Washington right
5 to farm act"; and

6 (2) "This notice is to inform you that the real property you are
7 considering for purchase may lie in close proximity to land that has
8 been traditionally open for public hunting, an activity which may
9 include the use of firearms. Hunting is a lawful and accepted activity
10 when conducted at a time and place, and in a manner, consistent with
11 regulations adopted by the fish and wildlife commission pursuant to
12 Title 77 RCW."

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