

**ESHB 1516** - S AMD TO NROR COMM AMD (S-2591.2/09) **316**  
By Senators Hargrove, Hatfield, Jacobsen, Morton

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1 On page 1, beginning on line 12 of the amendment, after "not."  
2 strike all material through "season." on line 28 and insert the  
3 following:

4 "(b) Beginning fifteen days after the close of the primary  
5 commercial Dungeness crab-coastal harvest season, any individual with  
6 a current commercial Dungeness crab-coastal license and a valid crab  
7 pot removal permit issued by the department may remove a crab pot or  
8 crab pots used to harvest Dungeness crabs remaining in coastal marine  
9 waters after the close of the primary commercial Dungeness crab-coastal  
10 harvest season.

11 (c) In cooperation with individuals with a current commercial  
12 Dungeness crab-coastal license, the department may expand the coastal  
13 commercial Dungeness crab pot removal program to those areas closed to  
14 commercial Dungeness crab harvest prior to the end of the primary  
15 season.

16 (d) Nothing in this section prohibits the department from exempting  
17 certain crab pots from the coastal commercial Dungeness crab pot  
18 removal program or from restricting crab pot removal activities to  
19 specific geographic areas.

20 (e) The department may adopt rules to implement this subsection  
21 (1)."

EFFECT: Limits the expansion of the coastal commercial Dungeness  
crab pot removal program to areas closed to commercial Dungeness crab  
harvest prior to the end of the primary season. Reorganizes language  
within section 1(1) of this act.

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