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By Senators Honeyford, Hewitt, Schoesler, Holmquist, Stevens, Morton, Delvin, King, Roach, Becker, and Swecker

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1 AN ACT Relating to firefighter duties; and adding a new section to
2 chapter 52.12 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 52.12 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 Any firefighter that is present at the scene of a wildfire,
7 regardless of whether it is beyond the boundaries of his or her
8 district, has a duty to undertake firefighting efforts to suppress the
9 fire if the fire poses a danger to human life or structures. However,
10 the firefighter is under no duty to undertake firefighting efforts if
11 he or she does not have the equipment or manpower at the scene to fight
12 the fire in a safe and reasonable manner.

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