

ESHB 1199 - S COMM AMD

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 77.32.155 and 2009 c 269 s 1 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 (1)((a) ~~When purchasing any hunting license, persons under the age~~  
6 ~~of eighteen shall present certification of completion of a course of~~  
7 ~~instruction of at least ten hours in the safe handling of firearms,~~  
8 ~~safety, conservation, and sportsmanship. All persons purchasing any~~  
9 ~~hunting license for the first time, if born after January 1, 1972,~~  
10 ~~shall present such certification.~~

11 (b)(i) ~~The director may establish a program for training persons in~~  
12 ~~the safe handling of firearms, conservation, and sportsmanship and~~  
13 ~~shall prescribe the type of instruction and the qualifications of the~~  
14 ~~instructors. The director shall, as part of establishing the training~~  
15 ~~program, exempt members of the United States military from the firearms~~  
16 ~~skills portion of any instruction course completed over the internet.~~

17 (ii) ~~The director may cooperate with the National Rifle~~  
18 ~~Association, organized sportsmen's groups, or other public or private~~  
19 ~~organizations when establishing the training program.~~

20 (c) ~~Upon the successful completion of a course established under~~  
21 ~~this section, the trainee shall receive a hunter education certificate~~  
22 ~~signed by an authorized instructor. The certificate is evidence of~~  
23 ~~compliance with this section.~~

24 (d) ~~The director may accept certificates from other states that~~  
25 ~~persons have successfully completed firearm safety, hunter education,~~  
26 ~~or similar courses as evidence of compliance with this section.~~

27 (2)) To purchase a Washington hunting license for the first time,  
28 a person born after January 1, 1972, must present proof of successfully  
29 passing a hunter education training course. Proof is either:

1 (a) A hunter education certificate of completion from a course  
2 instructed by or being taught under a contract with the department in  
3 the safe handling of firearms, safety, conservation, and ethical  
4 hunting behavior; or

5 (b) A hunter education certificate from another state or country  
6 whose course is department approved.

7 (2) No one under age eight is eligible to take a hunter education  
8 training course in Washington.

9 (3) Members of the United States military who are residents of or  
10 stationed in Washington are exempt from the firearms skills portion of  
11 any hunter education training course instructed by or being taught  
12 under a contract with the department and completed over the internet.

13 (4) Upon the successful completion of a hunter education training  
14 course instructed by or being taught under a contract with the  
15 department in the safe handling of firearms, safety, conservation, and  
16 ethical hunting behavior, the trainee must receive an approved hunter  
17 education certificate.

18 (5) All hunters under the age of fourteen are required to hunt in  
19 compliance with section 2 of this act.

20 (6)(a) The ((director)) department may authorize a once in a  
21 lifetime, one license year deferral of hunter education training for  
22 individuals who are accompanied ((by a nondeferred Washington-licensed  
23 hunter who has held a Washington hunting license for the prior three  
24 years and is over eighteen years of age)), while hunting, by a hunter  
25 currently licensed to hunt in Washington, age eighteen or older, and  
26 whose Washington license is not a one-year deferral license. The  
27 commission shall adopt rules for the administration of this subsection  
28 to avoid potential fraud and abuse.

29 (b) The ((director)) department is authorized to collect an  
30 application fee, not to exceed twenty dollars, for obtaining the once  
31 in a lifetime, one license year deferral of hunter education training  
32 from the department. This fee must be deposited into the fish and  
33 wildlife enforcement reward account and must be used exclusively to  
34 administer the deferral program created in this subsection.

35 ((+e)) (7) For the purposes of this ((subsection)) section,  
36 "accompanied" means to go along with another person while staying  
37 within a range of the other person that permits continual unaided  
38 visual and auditory communication.

1 ((+3)) (8) To encourage the participation of an adequate number of  
2 instructors for the hunter education training (~~(program)~~) course, the  
3 commission shall develop nonmonetary incentives available to  
4 individuals who commit to serving as an instructor. The incentives may  
5 include additional hunting opportunities for instructors.

6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 77.15 RCW  
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) All hunters under age fourteen must be accompanied, while  
9 hunting, by a hunter who is currently licensed to hunt in Washington,  
10 is age eighteen or older, and whose Washington hunting license is not  
11 a one-year deferral license authorized under RCW 77.32.155. However,  
12 a hunter under the age of fourteen is not required to be accompanied if  
13 he or she is the immediate family member of a private property owner or  
14 lessee and is hunting on property his or her family owns or is leasing.

15 (2) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this  
16 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

17 (a) "Accompanied" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 77.32.155.

18 (b) "Immediate family member" has the same meaning as defined in  
19 RCW 77.12.047.

20 (3) A violation of this section is a natural resources infraction  
21 subject to the provisions of chapter 7.84 RCW.

22 Sec. 3. RCW 77.32.010 and 2011 c 320 s 19 are each amended to read  
23 as follows:

24 (1)(a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a recreational  
25 license issued by the director is required to hunt for or take wild  
26 animals or wild birds, fish for, take, or harvest fish, shellfish, and  
27 seaweed. A recreational fishing or shellfish license is not required  
28 for carp, smelt, and crawfish, and a hunting license is not required  
29 for bullfrogs.

30 (b) A person must be at least eight years old and in compliance  
31 with RCW 77.32.155 to be issued a hunting license.

32 (2) A pass or permit issued under RCW 79A.80.020, 79A.80.030, or  
33 79A.80.040 is required to park or operate a motor vehicle on a  
34 recreation site or lands, as defined in RCW 79A.80.010.

35 (3) During the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium to enable the  
36 implementation of the pilot project established in section 307, chapter

1 329, Laws of 2008, a fishing permit issued to a nontribal member by the  
2 Colville Tribes shall satisfy the license requirements in subsection  
3 (1) of this section on the waters of Lake Rufus Woods and on the north  
4 shore of Lake Rufus Woods, and a Colville Tribes tribal member  
5 identification card shall satisfy the license requirements in  
6 subsection (1) of this section on all waters of Lake Rufus Woods."

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7 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "safety;" strike the  
8 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 77.32.155 and  
9 77.32.010; adding a new section to chapter 77.15 RCW; and prescribing  
10 penalties."

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