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By Representative Taylor

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1 On page 285, after line 14, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 908. The definition in this section applies
3 throughout this subchapter unless the context clearly requires
4 otherwise. "Extraordinary sensing device" means a sensing device
5 attached to or used in conjunction with an aircraft that is operated
6 without the possibility of human intervention from within or on such
7 aircraft, together with its associated elements.

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9 NEW SECTION. Sec. 909. (1) No state agency or state organization
10 including, but not limited to, the Washington state patrol and the
11 department of natural resources, shall procure or contract for the use
12 of an extraordinary sensing device except for the following allowable
13 purposes:

14 (a) Monitoring to discover, locate, observe, and prevent forest
15 fires;

16 (b) Monitoring an environmental or weather-related catastrophe or
17 damage from such an event;

18 (c) Surveying for wildlife management, habitat preservation, or
19 environmental damage; and

20 (d) Surveying for the assessment and evaluation of environmental
21 or weather-related damage, erosion, flood, or contamination.

22 (2) No local agency shall procure or contract for the use of an
23 extraordinary sensing device except for the following allowable
24 purposes:

25 (a) Monitoring to discover, locate, observe, and prevent forest
26 fires;

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1 (b) Monitoring an environmental or weather-related catastrophe or
2 damage from such an event;

3 (c) Surveying for wildlife management, habitat preservation, or
4 environmental damage; and

5 (d) Surveying for the assessment and evaluation of environmental
6 or weather-related damage, erosion, flood, or contamination.

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8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 910.** Sections 908 through 910 of this act are
9 each added to chapter 9.73 RCW under the subchapter heading
10 "extraordinary sensing devices."

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12 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
13 internal references accordingly.

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15 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Prohibits state and local agencies from procuring or contracting for the use of extraordinary sensing devices. Makes exceptions for forest fire activities, environmental and weather-related catastrophes and damage monitoring, wildlife management, habitat preservation, and environmental damage surveying, and surveying for assessment of environmental damage, erosion, flood, or contamination. Reinstates the executive moratorium on the purchase and use of extraordinary sensing devices.

FISCAL IMPACT: No net change to appropriated levels.

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