
HOUSE BILL 1152

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By Representatives Fitzgibbon, Stanford, Dunshee, and Tharinger

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1 AN ACT Relating to the management of forage fish resources;
2 amending RCW 77.32.010; and creating new sections.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.32.010 and 2014 c 48 s 26 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter or department
7 rule, a recreational license issued by the director is required to
8 hunt, fish, or take wildlife or seaweed. A recreational fishing or
9 shellfish license is not required for carp(~~(, smelt,)~~) and crawfish,
10 and a hunting license is not required for bullfrogs.

11 (2) A pass or permit issued under RCW 79A.80.020, 79A.80.030, or
12 79A.80.040 is required to park or operate a motor vehicle on a
13 recreation site or lands(~~(,)~~) as defined in RCW 79A.80.010.

14 (3) The commission may, by rule, indicate that a fishing permit
15 issued to a nontribal member by the Colville Tribes shall satisfy the
16 license requirements in subsection (1) of this section on the waters
17 of Lake Rufus Woods and on the north shore of Lake Rufus Woods, and
18 that a Colville Tribes tribal member identification card shall
19 satisfy the license requirements in subsection (1) of this section on
20 all waters of Lake Rufus Woods.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The department of fish and wildlife must
2 conduct a survey of the location of surf smelt and sand lance
3 spawning grounds throughout Puget Sound, including the Strait of Juan
4 de Fuca. Results from this survey must be used by the department of
5 fish and wildlife to expand knowledge of documented spawning habitat
6 areas and inform regulatory actions related to spawning areas and
7 times.

8 The habitat survey must be completed by June 30, 2017.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The department of fish and wildlife must
10 conduct a mid-water trawl survey at various depths throughout Puget
11 Sound to evaluate the prevalence of adults of all species of forage
12 fish. The department must integrate the results of the survey into
13 existing Puget Sound ecosystem assessments to assist the department
14 of fish and wildlife in the management and conservation of forage
15 fish species and the species that prey upon them.

16 The department of fish and wildlife must complete the survey by
17 June 30, 2017.

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