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By Senators Jacobsen, Swecker, Oke, Hargrove, Fraser, Morton, Rasmussen and Shin; by request of Department of Fish and Wildlife

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1 AN ACT Relating to short-term fishing licenses; and amending RCW  
2 77.32.470 and 77.32.430.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.32.470 and 2003 c 181 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) A personal use saltwater, freshwater, combination, temporary,  
7 or family fishing weekend license is required for all persons fifteen  
8 years of age or older to fish for or possess fish taken for personal  
9 use from state waters or offshore waters.

10 (2) The fees for annual personal use saltwater, freshwater, or  
11 combination licenses are as follows:

12 (a) A combination license allows the holder to fish for or possess  
13 fish, shellfish, and seaweed from state waters or offshore waters. The  
14 fee for this license is thirty-six dollars for residents, seventy-two  
15 dollars for nonresidents, and five dollars for youth.

16 (b) A saltwater license allows the holder to fish for or possess  
17 fish taken from saltwater areas. The fee for this license is eighteen  
18 dollars for residents, thirty-six dollars for nonresidents, and five  
19 dollars for resident seniors.

1 (c) A freshwater license allows the holder to fish for, take, or  
2 possess food fish or game fish species in all freshwater areas. The  
3 fee for this license is twenty dollars for residents, forty dollars for  
4 nonresidents, and five dollars for resident seniors.

5 (3)(a) A temporary combination fishing license is valid for ~~((two))~~  
6 one to five consecutive days and allows the holder to fish for or  
7 possess fish, shellfish, and seaweed taken from state waters or  
8 offshore waters. The fee for this temporary fishing license is  
9 ~~((six))~~:

10 (i) One day - Seven dollars for ~~((both))~~ residents and fourteen  
11 dollars for nonresidents~~((-))~~;

12 (ii) Two days - Ten dollars for residents and twenty dollars for  
13 nonresidents;

14 (iii) Three days - Thirteen dollars for residents and twenty-six  
15 dollars for nonresidents;

16 (iv) Four days - Fifteen dollars for residents and thirty dollars  
17 for nonresidents; and

18 (v) Five days - Seventeen dollars for residents and thirty-four  
19 dollars for nonresidents.

20 (b) The fee for a charter stamp is seven dollars for a one-day  
21 charter license for residents and nonresidents.

22 (c) A transaction fee to support the automated licensing system  
23 will be taken from the amounts set forth in this subsection for  
24 temporary licenses.

25 (d) Except for active duty military personnel serving in any branch  
26 of the United States armed forces, ~~((this))~~ the temporary combination  
27 fishing license is not valid on game fish species for an eight-  
28 consecutive-day period beginning on the opening day of the lowland lake  
29 fishing season.

30 (4) A family fishing weekend license allows for a maximum of six  
31 anglers: One resident and five youth; two residents and four youth; or  
32 one resident, one nonresident, and four youth. This license allows the  
33 holders to fish for or possess fish taken from state waters or offshore  
34 waters. The fee for this license is twenty dollars. This license is  
35 only valid during periods as specified by rule of the department.

36 (5) The commission may adopt rules to create and sell combination  
37 licenses for all hunting and fishing activities at or below a fee equal

1 to the total cost of the individual license contained within any  
2 combination.

3 **Sec. 2.** RCW 77.32.430 and 2004 c 107 s 2 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 (1) Catch record card information is necessary for proper  
6 management of the state's food fish and game fish species and shellfish  
7 resources. Catch record card administration shall be under rules  
8 adopted by the commission. There is no charge for an initial catch  
9 record card. Each subsequent or duplicate catch record card costs ten  
10 dollars.

11 (2) A license to take and possess Dungeness crab is only valid in  
12 Puget Sound waters east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line if the fisher has  
13 in possession a valid catch record card officially endorsed for  
14 Dungeness crab. The endorsement shall cost no more than three dollars,  
15 including any or all fees authorized under RCW 77.32.050, when  
16 purchased for a personal use saltwater, combination, or shellfish and  
17 seaweed license. The endorsement shall cost no more than one dollar,  
18 including any or all fees authorized under RCW 77.32.050, when  
19 purchased for a temporary combination fishing license authorized under  
20 RCW 77.32.470(3)(a).

21 (3) Catch record cards issued with affixed temporary short-term  
22 charter stamp licenses are not subject to the ten-dollar charge nor to  
23 the Dungeness crab endorsement fee provided for in this section.  
24 Charter boat or guide operators issuing temporary short-term charter  
25 stamp licenses shall affix the stamp to each catch record card issued  
26 before fishing commences. Catch record cards issued with a temporary  
27 short-term charter stamp are valid for (~~two consecutive days~~) one  
28 day.

29 (4) The department shall include provisions for recording marked  
30 and unmarked salmon in catch record cards issued after March 31, 2004.

31 (5) The funds received from the sale of catch record cards and the  
32 Dungeness crab endorsement must be deposited into the wildlife fund.  
33 The funds received from the Dungeness crab endorsement may be used only  
34 for the sampling, monitoring, and management of catch associated with  
35 the Dungeness crab recreational fisheries. Moneys allocated under this

1 section shall supplement and not supplant other federal, state, and  
2 local funds used for Dungeness crab recreational fisheries management.

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