
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1437

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By House Committee on Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Foreman, Chandler, Mastin and B. Thomas)

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1 AN ACT Relating to lease rates for amateur radio repeater sites;
2 and amending RCW 79.12.025.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 79.12.025 and 1988 c 209 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The department of natural resources shall determine the lease rate
7 for amateur radio electronic repeater sites and units available for
8 public service communication. ~~((For the first repeater unit placed at
9 a department communication site by an amateur radio lessee eligible for
10 a reduced rate under this section, the lessee shall pay fifty percent
11 of the amateur radio rental established by the department. For any
12 subsequent repeater unit placed at the same facility by an eligible
13 amateur radio lessee, the lessee shall pay twenty-five percent of the
14 rental established by the department))~~ For the amateur operator to
15 qualify for a rent of one hundred dollars per year per site, the
16 amateur operator shall do one of the following: (1) Register and
17 remain in good standing with the state's radio amateur civil emergency
18 services and amateur radio emergency services organizations, or (2) if

1 an amateur group, sign a statement of public service developed by the
2 department.

3 The legislature's biennial appropriations shall account for the
4 estimated difference between the one hundred dollar per year, per site,
5 per lessee paid by the qualified amateur operators and the fair market
6 amateur rent, as established by the department.

7 The amateur radio regulatory authority approved by the federal
8 communication commission shall assign the radio frequencies used by
9 amateur radio lessees. The department shall develop guidelines to
10 determine which lessees are to receive reduced rental fees as moneys
11 are available by legislative appropriation to pay a portion of the rent
12 for electronic repeaters operated by amateur radio operators.

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