## ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6231

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**By** Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Anderson, Snyder, Swecker, T. Sheldon, Oke and Goings)

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1 AN ACT Relating to natural area preserves; and creating new 2 sections.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. The department of natural resources shall
not adopt a new management plan pertaining to any natural area
preserves in Grays Harbor county and Pacific county before January 10,
1999.

8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. The senate natural resources and parks 9 committee shall study the following aspects of the natural area 10 preserves program created under chapter 79.70 RCW:

(1) The potential impact, if any, of defining natural area preserve boundaries which encompass land that has not yet been purchased for the program;

(2) The correlation between the goals and purposes of the natural
area preserve program and the natural resource conservation area
program and the potential integration of the two programs in selected
areas;

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(3) The current procedures that ensure the adequacy of local public
 input concerning natural area preserve boundaries and management;
 (4) The criteria and scientific methods used to ensure that natural
 area preserves fulfill the purposes of the program.

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