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SENATE BILL 6342

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By Senators Snyder, Swecker and Spanel

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to sale of salmon eggs; adding a new section to
- 2 chapter 75.08 RCW; and repealing RCW 75.08.245.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 75.08 RCW 5 to read as follows:
- 6 The depleted nature of salmon and steelhead trout stocks within the
- 7 state, the 1997 listing under the federal endangered species act of
- 8 upriver Columbia river steelhead trout, and the potential listing of
- 9 salmon as endangered species under the federal endangered species act,
- 10 require that all eggs be utilized for the restoration of salmon and
- 11 steelhead trout stocks. The department shall utilize all salmon and
- 12 steelhead trout eggs within the department's possession for the purpose
- 13 of salmon and steelhead trout population rehabilitation and enhancement
- 14 for both state and tribal fisheries. The department is strictly
- 15 prohibited from selling or transferring to any other entity salmon or
- 16 steelhead trout eggs or females containing eggs if the eggs are not to
- 17 be utilized for rehabilitation and enhancement.

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** RCW 75.08.245 and 1988 c 115 s 1, 1983 1st
- 2 ex.s. c 46 s 25, 1974 ex.s. c 23 s 1, & 1971 c 35 s 4 are each
- 3 repealed.

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